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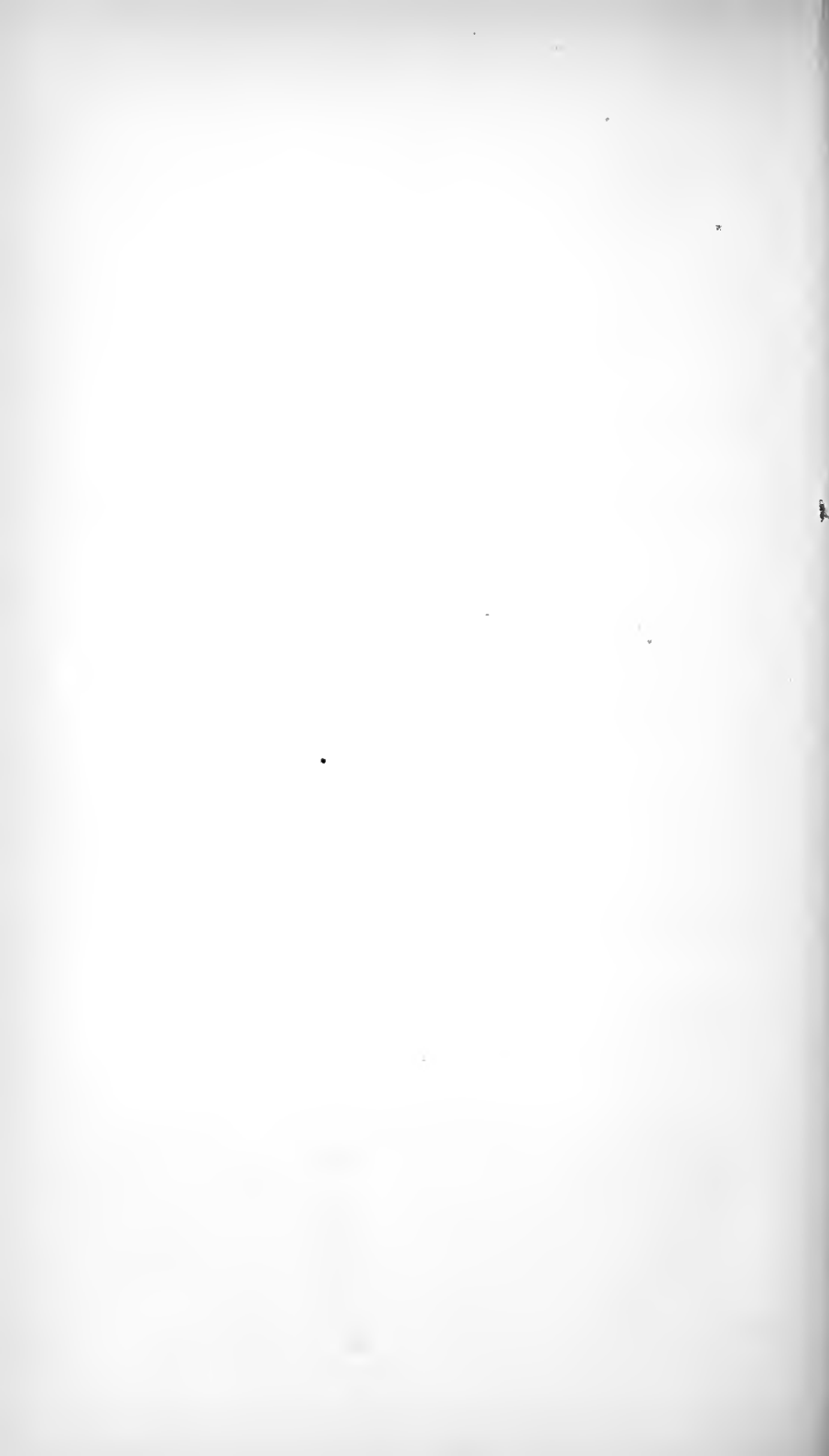
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OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF HYDE PARK,

For the year ending March 4th, 1878.

SELECTMEN, SURVEYORS OF HIGHWAYS, OVERSEERS OF THE POOR AND BOARD OF HEALTH:

EDWIN R. WALKER, CHARLES L. FARNSWORTH,
AMOS H. BRAINARD.

ASSESSORS:

RANDOLPH P. MOSELEY, JOEL F. GOODWIN,
JOHN M. TWICHELL.

TOWN CLERK:

HENRY B. TERRY.

TOWN TREASURER:

HENRY S. BUNTON.

COLLECTOR:

HENRY A. RICH.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

R. W. HUSTED term expires 1880
REV. FRANCIS C. WILLIAMS term expires 1880
HOBART M. CABLE term expires 1879
W. H. H. ANDREWS term expires 1879
HENRY C. CHAMBERLAIN term expires 1878
EDWARD M. LANCASTER term expires 1878

SINKING FUND COMMISSIONERS:

HENRY GREW, WILLIAM J. STUART,
HENRY BLASDALE, chosen to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Alpheus P. Blake.

AUDITORS:

BENJAMIN C. VOSE, HOWARD M. HAMBLIN,
D. W. C. ROGERS chosen to fill vacancy caused by resignation of B. H. Jones.

CONSTABLES:

E. W. MOFFATT, CHARLES JACOBS, W. H. CUMMINGER,
JEROME MATTHEWSON, BENJ. F. KIDDER,
JEREMIAH CORBETT, REUBEN CORSON.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES:

WILLIAM HEUSTIS.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

WILLIAM U. FAIRBAIRN, Chief Engineer,
LEVI A. RUNNELLS AND WARREN W. HILTON, Asst. Engineers.



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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Fellow Citizens:—

Although an examination of the reports of the various departments, as set forth under their appropriate heads, will inform every citizen in what manner the money appropriated has been expended, during the past year; yet in accordance with established custom, the Selectmen present for your consideration, the following statement of facts.

HIGHWAYS.

A large amount of work has been done upon the principal streets of the town.

River street throughout its entire length has been covered with screened gravel, and is in excellent condition; Hyde Park, and Central Park Avenues, have also received extensive repairs.

On Fairmount, Williams Avenue has been thoroughly rebuilt, a large culvert of iron and stone pipe constructed from the corner of Summit street, to a point below the Blake school house, and the large accumulation of water at this point, is now safely conducted under ground, thus avoiding the liability of washouts, which in the past, have been a source of frequent expense to the town.

Considerable work has been done on Milton, Fairmount, Williams, Neponset, and Dana Avenues, and many of the less traveled streets in the town have received our attention during the past year.

It is the opinion of strangers, as well as of our own citizens, that our streets are now in better condition than in the neighboring towns, and a moderate expenditure each year will keep them in good order.

All of the bridges are believed to be in a safe condition, and no extra expenditure on their account is anticipated during the coming year.

We would suggest the propriety of dividing the highway appropriations, setting aside each year a certain sum for the purpose of re-building sidewalks, an improvement in this direction would be appreciated by every citizen, it being a well recognized fact that at the present time our streets offer superior attractions to the pedestrian, than the sidewalks proper in many sections of the town.

A large stone culvert has been built on the east side of Fairmount Avenue, at its intersection with Beacon street ; and if as is confidently expected this proves to be a substantial improvement, a similar culvert should be built at the corner of Fairmount Avenue and Water street.

During the past year all of the maps and plans of the streets, have been carefully copied on cloth, and filed in a convenient manner for ready reference ; the originals should now be placed in a fire proof vault, as their loss would occasion not only great inconvenience, but in the future, possibly a considerable expense, should the question of street lines require the inspection of the original plans.

The town having by vote on several accasions authorized the Selectmen to purchase gravel land suitable for use on the streets, in October last we purchased 52,307 feet of land at an expense of \$1,733.97. This land is favorably situated on Providence street with entrances also from West and Arlington streets, the gravel is the best in town, having been used on many of our principal streets during the past year, and we have no doubt that when the gravel is removed, the land will be worth more for building purposes than the original cost.

GUIDE BOARDS.

We are compelled to admit that our guide boards are not altogether a credit to the town, nearly all of them require repainting ; quite a large number are so defaced that they should

be replaced by new ones, and there are several important points destitute of the proper signs, as required by law.

In making the estimates for the coming year this subject should not be overlooked ; we would add that it was our intention to have remedied these defects, but the large expenditures on the highways, prevented the completion of our plans in this particular.

STREET LAMPS.

We have now 142 lamps, which are lighted at an expense of \$17,00 each, yearly by the Globe Gas Light Co., of Boston. We are fully satisfied with the services rendered during the past year, the light is excellent in quality, the lamps promptly lighted, and the lanterns kept in good order ; but few complaints have been received, and in every instance, when reported to the Agent, immediate attention has been given, and the cause for complaint removed.

We would suggest that a separate appropriation be made for this branch of the public service.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

We have nothing to add to the report of the Engineers, as published, except to second the suggestions embodied in their report, as their practical knowledge of the wants of the department, render their opinions worthy of careful consideration.

TOWN HALL.

During the past year \$662.00 has been received from rentals less expenses incurred for repairs, care of building, &c., \$327.19 ; net amount paid to Town Treasurer, \$334.81. We have been to some expense for plans and specifications, in view of the proposed alterations of the lower hall into the offices for the use of the Town Officials ; but the town having voted at its last meeting not to appropriate money to carry out the provisions of its former action, the matter of remodelling has been indefinitely postponed.

INCIDENTALS.

The impression seems to prevail in certain quarters, that the incidentals are wholly under the control of the Selectmen, and that it is a convenient account in which to cover such expenditures as might not meet with the approval of the citizens ; we desire to call especial attention to it.

It will be seen that but a small proportion of the items therein, originated with our Board, and none of them are of doubtful necessity.

The Selectmen may indeed, refuse to approve a bill, but it is very seldom that one is presented, which can be denied approval, for any well considered objection, and even in such a case the experience of towns who have contested such accounts, has usually resulted in the enforced payment of such claims, with the additional costs of a lawsuit. The proper remedy is, for every individual to consider before incurring expense at the cost of the town, whether they would justify the expenditure if it were made by an individual, as Agent for a Trust Estate, whose acts would be carefully examined before receiving the approval of the Trustees, whose interests they were expected to guard.

LICENSE LAW.

The citizens having voted to request the Selectmen not to issue *any* licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and at the same time declined to make such appropriations for the Police Department, as would be necessary for the thorough enforcement of the law, we have been unable to adopt such measures as the situation demanded, and although at all times ready to enforce the provisions of the law, upon the presentation of the proper evidence, we have not had within our control, the money necessary to obtain that knowledge of the violation of the law which would result in conviction ; and furthermore, our previous experience has led us to the conclusion, that the plan usually pursued, of obtaining by false representations liquor of dealers, for the purpose of using

such sale in evidence against them, is, to say the least of very doubtful expediency, and is degrading in its tendencies to all engaged in it.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

As no contagious disease, requiring the attention of the Board, has prevailed during the year, but little has been done. An occasional nuisance has been reported, and so far as possible the cause for complaint removed. The custom of leaving the dead bodies of animals in unfrequented places cannot be too strongly condemned; and the Board should in all cases be promptly notified upon the discovery of such remains.

TAX-COLLECTOR'S SALARY.

Town of Hyde Park :—

To HENRY A. RICH, Dr.

Amount due January 31, 1878, for collecting taxes,	
viz: 1875, balance of \$800.00 salary, \$300 00	
1876 {	Collected year ending, Jan. 31, '77, \$55,557 07
1877 {	Collected year ending, Jan. 31, '78, 27,349 34
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Total,	\$82,916 41
3-4 per cent., \$621.87, of which \$365.00 was paid	
last year, balance due on account of 1876 taxes, \$246 87	
1877. Collected year ending, Jan. 31, '78, \$58,832 91	
3-4 per cent., of which is, . . .	
	441 25
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	\$988 12

By the above statement it will be seen that there was due the Collector at the close of the current year, for the collection of taxes for the years 1875, 1876, and 1877, the sum of \$988.12.

The incidental account having been exhausted, the Selectmen and Treasurer, in concurrence, have taken the responsibility to pay said amount, from the net unexpended balance

of the appropriations, which amount otherwise would have been paid into the Sinking Fund, in accordance with the By-Law of the town. We have assumed that our action would be sustained by the town, in view of the fact that otherwise this amount would have to be raised the coming year ; but being in full sympathy with the general desire to reduce the burden of taxation to the minimum we have made this payment. Should the town disapprove of our action, it may be remedied by raising said amount by taxation, the same to be paid into the Sinking Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN R. WALKER,	} Selectmen of Hyde Park.
C. L. FARNSWORTH.	
AMOS H. BRAINARD,	

HYDE PARK, Jan. 31, 1878.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDI- TURES.

SCHOOLS — *Teachers' Salaries.*

HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid John F. Elliot	\$1,550 00	
Miss Sarah L. Barnes	625 00	
Miss Eliza P. Parsons	250 00	
Miss Sarah L. Miner	300 00	
	<hr style="width: 100px; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/>	\$2,725 00

GREW SCHOOL.

Paid George M. Fellows	\$600 00	
Franklin H. Dean	503 00	
Miss Fannie J. Emerson	450 00	
Miss Lucina Dunbar	450 00	
Miss Martha A. Alexander	450 00	
Miss Marian F. Smith	430 00	
Miss Genevieve Brainard	447 50	
Miss Sarah S. Lancaster	450 00	
	<hr style="width: 100px; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/>	3,780 50

BLAKE SCHOOL.

Paid Henry F. Howard	\$1,150 00	
Miss Elmina L. Oliver	450 00	
Miss Jennie S. Hammond	450 00	
Miss Belle M. Roper	402 50	
Mrs. Martha S. Lake	356 36	
Miss Emma A. George	90 00	
Miss Ida M. Pratt	204 00	
Mrs. M. C. Howard	9 00	

Paid Miss Helen A. Perry	\$109 98	
Miss Caroline Howard	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,261 84

DAMON SCHOOL.

Paid Edward W. Cross	\$1,150 00	
Miss Carrie E. Walker	450 00	
Miss Lizzie D. Bunker	450 00	
Miss Sarah A. Crosby	447 50	
Miss Julia E. Donovan	412 50	
Miss Agnes L. Adams	3 00	
	<hr/>	2,913 00

GREENWOOD SCHOOL.

Paid J. Langdon Curtis	\$1,140 00	
Miss Lucy S. Carrier	450 00	
Miss Harriet J. Folsom	450 00	
Miss Mary E. Libby	450 00	
	<hr/>	2,490 00

EVERETT SCHOOL.

Paid Miss Carrie P. Barnes	412 50
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MUSIC.

Paid Henry J. Whittemore	\$125 00	
Charles E. Whiting	150 00	
	<hr/>	275 00
		<hr/>
		\$15,857 84

FUEL AND JANITORS.

Paid A. H. Brainard, coal	\$898 96
Henry S. Holtham, wood	72 30
E. B. Simpson, janitor, High and Grew Schools	59 00
Robert Scott, Jr., janitor, High and Grew Schools	190 50

15

Paid George James, janitor, Blake School	\$142 79	
John McDonough, janitor, Damon School	136 79	
Thomas Thompson, janitor, Greenwood School	45 84	
John P. Emery, janitor, Greenwood School	61 51	
	<u>1,607 69</u>	
		\$17,465 53

Cr.

By amount of appropriation	\$18,500 00
Balance unexpended	1,034 47

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Paid William C. Kellogg, teaching	\$136 00	
Franklin H. Dean, teaching	96 00	
John McDonough, janitor	11 75	
Robert Scott, Jr., janitor	11 75	
A. C. Clapp, arranging desks	4 00	
George Miles, supplies	2 54	
	<u>262 04</u>	

Cr.

By amount of appropriation	\$400 00
Balance unexpended	137 96

EXPENDITURES FROM INCOME OF THE MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL FUND.

Paid Mark E. Noble, books	\$60 07
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SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Paid Nichols & Hall, books and stationery . . .	\$113 26
Ward & Gay, " . . .	8 80
W. H. Phillips, Jr., " . . .	1 00
J. L. Fairbanks, " . . .	14 00
Ginn & Heath, music charts . . .	36 00
J. H. Daniels, 100 diplomas . . .	25 00
J. F. Mooar, filling out diplomas . . .	9 00
Charles B. Tower & Co., ink . . .	9 00
N. T. Cottelle, 1 piano and tuning piano . . .	84 00
Edward Roberts, use of flowers, and services of one man	5 00
Mark E. Noble, books, &c.	190 20
J. F. Elliot, "	5 25
Albert Snow, pen-holder racks	3 75
C. P. Vaughan, repairs on clocks	8 25
Chas. H. Colby, brooms, bushes, &c.	3 25
S. R. Moseley, printing	78 00
J. L. Hammett, black boards, settees, &c.	131 65
H. C. Chamberlain, tassels, cord, &c., and superintending repairs on School Houses	43 80
Journal Newspaper Co., advertising	3 50
J. M. Merrick, analysis of water	10 00
O. Lappen & Co., brushes	3 50
W. H. H. Andrews, services as Clerk of School Committee	100 00
Thomas Gately, repairing pipes, &c.	5 50
R. Corson, use of teams and expressing	48 20
Geo. Miles, wood saw, &c.	1 62
O'Neill Bros. horse and buggy	5 00
H. J. Whittemore, teaching music	1 80
L. H. Russell, carpenters work and material	25 83
W. W. Hilton, " " "	92 00
E. B. Simpson, " " "	1 75
Rinaldo Williams, " " "	90 85
D. H. Graham, " " "	20 40
R. Scott, Sen., " " "	6 66
J. P. Emery " " "	35 26
S. B. Balkam, lumber, lime, &c.	52 49

Paid E. & F. King & Co., oil, lead, &c.	\$186 99
Quincy Dyer, " "	10 05
Richard Murray, cement, lime and labor	4 45
S. R. Swett, labor on school-house	6 00
H. C. Stark, repairs on furnaces and work on school-house	40 08
Boynton & Rogers, repairs on furnaces and work on school-house	204 48
Thos. Thompson, cleaning school-houses	3 00
George James, " "	28 50
Thomas Sweeney, " "	52 75
Julia McDonough, " "	20 00
R. Scott, Jr., " "	32 00
John Beatey, mason work and material	182 92
A. R. Glass, repairing roofs	104 66
D. F. Smith & Sons, painting and glazing	115 97
J. G. Hamblin, " "	104 96
B. E. Phillips, " "	65 20
H. Reed, use of well	10 00
J. Mathewson, truant officer	1 00
E. W. Cross, repairs on pump	65
W. J. Hughes, carting coal	4 50
Joel F. Goodwin, ascertaining names and ages of school children	35 00
W. H. H. Andrews, legal services and cash paid out	36 93
	<u>\$2,523 66</u>
Cr.	
By amount of appropriation	<u>\$2,500 00</u>
Excess of expenditure	\$23 66

INCIDENTALS.

Paid Globe Gas Light Co., lighting street lamps	\$2,354 26
Dedham & Hyde Park Gas Co., gas	122 80
Samuel R. Moseley, printing and advertising	781 50

Paid G. Henry Perkins, insurance	\$375 65
Charles M. Chapin, "	145 37
Henry A. Day, "	100 00
Henry S. Bunton, preparing list of tax-payers for town report, and cash paid for postage, &c.	25 75
Herbert A. Whittier, distributing town reports	4 25
William T. Britton, janitor, posting notices, &c.	278 11
William Danforth, copying plans .	140 00
Reuben Corson, expressing, &c. . . .	1 50
Ward & Gay, gavel, stationery, baskets, &c.	3 85
J. B. & N. Niles, printing ballots . . .	12 00
Charles Jacobs, serving warrants, examining sign boards, &c.	19 50
S. B. Balkam, coal	21 75
Coleman & Maxwell, transfer books . . .	30 00
A. W. Wright, rent of town offices . . .	600 00
E. W. Moffatt, care of lock-up, repairs on pumps, &c.	13 82
J. H. Knibbs, repairs on chairs	3 75
Edmund Davis, legal advice to Collector .	20 00
Fitts & Ryan, expressing	95
R. P. Moseley, refreshments at town meeting	17 00
Sanford & Runnells, oil, chimneys, brooms, &c.	12 06
W. H. Phillips, Jr., stationery	73 53
McAvoy & Co., coal	15 50
Erastus Worthington, entering and copying by-laws	4 40
M. E. Noble, 2 sponges	35
C. G. Chick, copying transfers and examining records for Assessors and Collector .	88 00
Henry B. Terry, cash paid to magistrate, jurors, witnesses and officer, in fire inquest	54 04
J. F. & C. M. Tilley, labor and material .	11 97
George L. Richardson, surveying . . .	9 30
Henry B. Pierce, register of voters . . .	2 00
J. M. Williams, carpenter work	13 97
Jas. O'Hearn, " "	50
I. B. Samuels, plans of alterations in town hall	35 00

Paid J. D. Bradlee & Co., 3 Elm trees, for Everett square	\$15 00
Henry B. Briggs, cash paid fire police, July 4th, 1877	36 00
Warren W. Hilton, labor and material	50 99
M. R. Warren, check book for treasurer, one book and one box	24 00
George Tacey, labor on reservoir	6 75
John Beatey, work on lock-up	9 50
J. Johnston, iron tree guards, hinges, bars, &c.	25 24
Boston & Providence R.R. Co., freight	6 00
Boynton & Rogers, pumps, pails, brooms, dust-ers, repairs, &c.	44 43
H. C. Stark, map case, stove, pipe and labor	12 85
O. Q. Brown, sign board and posts	5 50
Jones, Robinson & Co., coal	46 37
William Donovan, building fence	20 13
John A. Soule, lumber, &c.	13 59
Delia White, refreshments at town meeting	25 00
Frank B. Rich, posting voting lists	1 25
Henry B. Terry, extra services in preparing the registry of voters, and recording and re- turning births, marriages and deaths	163 00
Sprague Pond Ice Co., ice	6 00
Alfred Hale & Co., rubber stamp	3 00
L. F. Upham, lettering boxes	2 50
Henry A. Rich, postage	12 85
S. P. Blodgett, P. O. box rent	1 00
Quincy Dyer, brush	1 00
Rinaldo Williams, repairs on safe and voting list board	1 50
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	\$5,925 88

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By amount of appropriation, \$6,500, — \$800 trans- ferred to highways	\$5,700 00
Excess of expenditure	<hr/> \$225 88

HIGHWAYS.

Paid Charles L. Farnsworth, cash paid out on account
of Highways, as follows :—

To	John B. Farrington, men and teams	.	\$243	49
	John Corrigan,	"	118	12
	Thomas Corrigan,	"	15	00
	John Downey,	"	60	62
	Owen Hughes,	"	63	12
	P. Curley,	"	50	00
	Thomas Rooney,	"	31	24
	E. McKenna,	"	61	25
	M. Donlan,	"	36	25
	P. Brennan,	"	71	87
	J. Corbett,	"	10	00
	Patrick Rooney, 1st,	"	55	23
	Patrick McDonough, labor	.	5	00
	Martin King,	"	19	06
	Michael Connolly,	"	61	56
	Patrick Barrett, 1st,	"	52	81
	Patrick Barrett, 2d,	"	51	56
	Martin McDonough,	"	43	74
	John McGee,	"	53	69
	Michael Bowen,	"	3	12
	Peter McCarty,	"	16	87
	Daniel Bowen,	"	7	50
	Patrick Rooney, 2d,	"	54	05
	Worthy Macomber,	"	28	75
	Patrick Welch,	"	23	31
	Richard Timpenny,	"	24	68
	John Bowen,	"	2	50
	M. Griffin,	"	17	49
	Patrick Butler,	"	10	00
	John Donovan,	"	4	37
	Edward Jordan,	"	56	25
	Florence Mahoney,	"	53	74
	Dennis O'Grady,	"	43	12
	Henry Jenkins,	"	63	12
	Patrick Glenn,	"	37	18

To	Thomas Brown,	labor	.	.	\$30 62
	Thomas Dolan,	"	.	.	58 74
	Dennis Foley,	"	.	.	69 68
	Lawrence McAuliffe,	"	.	.	22 50
	William Hulihan,	"	.	.	8 00
	John Regan,	"	.	.	1 25
	J. Scott,	"	.	.	10 50
	Thomas Kelly,	"	.	.	15 25
	M. Rogers,	"	.	.	7 18
	J. Sweeney,	"	.	.	6 56
	Thomas O'Keefe,	"	.	.	18 63
	M. McGovern,	"	.	.	1 25
	James Rooney,	"	.	.	54 37
	William Quealey,	"	.	.	35 93
	James Connolly,	"	.	.	55 62
	Peter Rooney,	"	.	.	18 12
	Thomas Murphy,	"	.	.	10 00
	John White,	"	.	.	16 87
	James Feehan,	"	.	.	10 00
	William Thompson,	"	.	.	8 75
	Hugh McGinley,	"	.	.	88 78
	John Jenkins,	"	.	.	63 12
	John Norton,	"	.	.	24 69
	Lawrence Rooney,	"	.	.	12 50
	John Murray,	"	.	.	9 37
	T. Gately,	"	.	.	17 50
	J. McCullough,	"	.	.	10 00
	Dennis Dee,	"	.	.	1 25
	Peter Cannon,	"	.	.	3 00
	Frank Hobart,	"	.	.	3 75
	Thomas Kingston,	"	.	.	3 75
	Cornelius Cleary,	"	.	.	36 56
	Andrew D. Rooney,	"	.	.	13 12
	Patrick Sweeney,	"	.	.	12 00
	George Clapp,	"	.	.	2 50
	Isaac Woods,	"	.	.	9 37
	William Donlan,	"	.	.	21 24
	Adam Boyce,	"	.	.	9 37
	M. Cannon,	"	.	.	16 50

To M. Hurley,	labor	.	.	.	\$9 69	
John Lennon,	"	.	.	.	8 27	
						<hr/> \$2,385 81
A. H. Brainard, cash paid on account of high-ways, as follows:—						
To John B. Farrington, labor of self, men and teams	.	.	.	.	\$44 62	
To Thomas Rooney, for building culvert on, and repairing Cleaveland street	.	.	.	.	100 00	
						<hr/> \$144 62
Paid D. W. Phipps, labor, men and teams	.	.	.	.	722 82	
Hugh McGinley, labor on streets	.	.	.	.	385 24	
John Jenkins,	"	.	.	.	271 25	
Thomas Corrigan,	"	.	.	.	22 00	
Patrick Gilmartin,	"	.	.	.	2 00	
Thomas Sweeney,	"	.	.	.	8 70	
Michael Rogers,	"	.	.	.	18 50	
Francis Hobart,	"	.	.	.	4 50	
John Hughes,	"	.	.	.	19 50	
Thomas Kelly,	"	.	.	.	10 00	
Dennis Foley,	"	.	.	.	11 00	
James Connolly,	"	.	.	.	19 50	
Thomas Keefe,	"	.	.	.	9 75	
Owen Hughes,	"	.	.	.	25 00	
John McAuliffe,	"	.	.	.	21 87	
Michael Barry,	"	.	.	.	21 87	
Richard Murray,	"	.	.	.	6 88	
Thomas Meegan,	"	.	.	.	12 00	
John Graham,	"	.	.	.	21 87	
Timothy Clark,	"	.	.	.	2 00	
M. Connolly,	"	.	.	.	1 87	
James Fitzgerald,	"	.	.	.	1 25	
Patrick Rooney, 2d,	"	.	.	.	6 25	
Patrick Rooney, 1st, labor and material	.	.	.	.	65 08	
John Moyle, covering stone	.	.	.	.	12 00	
Lewis & Willett, drain pipe	.	.	.	.	223 98	
Miller & Hanscom, iron pipe	.	.	.	.	297 88	
John Bleakie, gravel	.	.	.	.	11 44	
H. Holmes, Jr., "	.	.	.	.	10 10	
L. J. Bird, Trustee, gravel	.	.	.	.	17 80	

Paid Metropolitan Land Co., gravel	\$384 00
Morss & Whyte, gravel screen	8 00
A. H. Brainard, "	8 00
George W. Simmons, repairs on harness . .	5 75
James F. Hackett, blacksmith work and material	3 05
Keren Curley, " " "	30 29
J. Johnson, " " "	3 55
T. H. Malcom, " " "	15 42
Stewart McKenzie, " " "	17 00
Rinaldo Williams, carpenter work and material	41 76
O. Q. Brown, " " "	20 51
J. M. Williams, " " "	7 72
W. A. Mason, " "	1 50
Charles Haley, " "	2 75
G. H. Loud, stone	42 49
J. N. Bullard, hay	3 84
George E. Whiting, hay	7 42
E. D. Savage, hay and grain	50 69
McAvoy & Co., " "	77 14
Peabody & Co., " "	20 36
H. Whiting, "	7 21
Fitts & Ryan, expressing	3 45
Alfred Hale & Co., rubber boots	9 00
R. Corson, men and teams and expressing . .	66 04
Quincy Dyer, shovels, rakes, &c.	34 61
S. B. Balkam, lumber	124 36
James Hennessy, coal screen	8 00
John A. Soule, lumber	4 05

\$5,802 29

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By amount of appropriation	\$5,000
" " transferred from Incidentals	800
	<hr/> \$5,800 00
Excess of expenditure	<hr/> \$2 29

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid members of Goodwill Engine Co., No. 1 for services \$576 57

Paid members of Rough and Ready, No. 2 for services	\$641 25
" Hook and Ladder, " 1 "	608 73
" Splicer Hose, " 1 "	558 75
Peter McClellan, services as engineman	67 48
William H. Cumming, " " . .	67 75
William U. Fairbairn, services as engineer	90 00
L. A. Runnells, " " .	90 00
Warren W. Hilton, " " . .	45 00
Charles W. Paul, " " . .	45 00
Joshua Wilder, services as steward and cash paid out	667 74
Reuben Corson, use of horses and men	185 65
Warren W. Hilton, labor and material	15 68
J. Johnston, repairs on steamers, ect.	40 24
Spring & Robinson, repairs on steamers, etc.	15 77
Herbert E. Hunt, " " . .	15 00
F. A. Sweet, " " . .	6 50
Boynton & Rogers, grates, repairs, ect.	14 86
H. C. Stark, dampers, labor, etc.	7 75
Downer Kerosene Oil Co., oil	29 65
The Adams Nickle Plating Manfg. Co., 49 fire badges	24 50
T. J. Sheehan, repairs on engine house roof	12 44
S. B. Balkam, lumber	9 65
Joseph F. Smith, one 50 foot Bangor ladder	125 00
J. Ellery Piper, coal	55 53
A. H. Brainard, coal	75 00
Quincy Dyer, oil, spirits, etc.	3 93
S. R. Moseley, printing	10 00
Geo. W. Simmons & Son, fire hats	9 00
J. A. Caldwell, lanterns, etc.	26 30
C. L. Farnsworth, milk	1 80
George Miles, cheese	3 06
Sanford & Runnells, blocks, straps, rope, soap, oil, coffee, sugar, etc.	107 22
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	\$4,252 80

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By amount of appropriation	\$4,500 00
Balance unexpended	247 20

POOR ACCOUNT.

Paid A. H. Brainard, fuel &c. for poor, and Cash	
paid out as per vouchers on file . . .	\$1181 70
Taunton Lunatic Hospital, board of Lunatics	1187 90
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, support of poor	115 00
City of New Bedford, " "	12 00
" " Springfield, " "	62 86
Geo. Bass, house rent for " "	12 00
Agnes Hooker, board of Miss Withington .	20 00
Octavia Phillips, nursing J. F. Olive . . .	5 71
J. J. O'Neill medicine	3 40
M. E. Noble, "	54 88
W. S. Everett, medicine and examination of lunatics	15 54
Joshua Wilder, meals for sick tramps &c., cash paid out	12 22
Edward McCabe, lodging two travellers .	1 00
John M. Twichell, expense committing lunatics	7 25
Charles Jacobs, " " "	7 85
Hyde Park Boot & Shoe Co., boots and shoes	136 13
A. C. Bass, " "	3 65
C. L. Farnsworth, flour and bread for poor	166 70
L. J. French & Co., groceries	236 00
French & Co., " " "	8 75
George Miles, " " "	629 37
Sanford & Runnells, " " "	529 35
S. S. Clark, " " "	22 25
Charles E. Bunker, " " "	196 75
D. D. Burns, " " "	62 25
Martin O'Brien, " " "	29 50
E. D. Savage, " " "	13 00
Charles H. Colby, " " "	167 14
J. N. Bullard, " " "	29 48
Jane Joyce, " " "	9 50
Peabody & Co., " " "	15 00
Palmer Merritt, provisions	59 50
Henry S. Holtham, " " "	25 39
F. D. Brigham, " " "	39 81

Paid Owen Hughes, milk	\$63 19
Jones Robinson & Co., fuel	13 25
N. H. Tucker, "	72 90
S. B. Balkam, "	22 30
McAvoy & Co., "	11 50
Boynton & Rogers, stove &c.	9 17
H. C. Stark, "	4 00
C. L. Edwards, examination of lunatics	10 00
C. C. Hayes, medical attendance	146 16
P. B. Whitemore, burial of poor	69 00
Jonas Stone, hacks at 3 funerals	12 00
H. C. Chamberlain, dry goods for poor	4 00
Ward & Gay, stationery and books	23 75
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	\$5,540 05

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By amount of appropriation	\$3,500 00
" " "	2,000 00
Cash refunded for board of insane persons, &c.	178 29
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	\$5,678 29
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Balance unexpended	\$138 24

POLICE.

Paid Charles Jacobs, police duty	\$510 98
Elijah W. Moffatt, "	834 00
W. H. Cumming, "	12 50
Henry P. Bussey, "	6 75
Calvin Callahan, "	2 50
Benjamin F. Kidder, "	3 00
Daniel O'Connell, "	3 00
Henry B. Briggs, "	3 00
Luther Neal, "	3 00
Andrew D. Rooney, "	1 00
A. M. Mitchell & Co., badges	6 00
A. H. Brainard, coal	16 80

Paid Boynton & Rogers, slop pail	\$1 25
H. C. Stark, grate and lining	2 50
E. W. Moffatt, services as keeper of lock-up	37 53
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	\$1,443 81

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By amount of appropriation	\$1,500 00
Balance unexpended	56 19

SALARIES.

Paid Edwin R. Walker, services as Selectman, Surveyor of Highways, Overseer of Poor and Board of Health	\$200 00
Charles L. Farnsworth, services as Selectman, Surveyor of Highways, Overseer of the Poor and Board of Health	200 00
Amos H. Brainard, services as Selectman, Surveyor of Highways, Overseer of the Poor and Board of Health	200 00
R. P. Moseley, services as Assessor	200 00
Joel F. Goodwin, "	200 00
John M. Twichell, "	200 00
Henry B. Terry, services as Town Clerk, and Clerk of the Selectmen	300 00
Henry S. Bunton, services as Treasurer	400 00
Henry C. Chamberlain, " School Committee	100 00
Hobert M. Cable, " "	100 00
Edward M. Lancaster, " "	100 00
Richard W. Husted, " "	100 00
Rev. Francis C. Williams, " "	100 00
William H. H. Andrews, " "	100 00
Howard M. Hamblin, " Auditor	30 00
Benj. C. Vose, " "	30 00
DeWitt C. Rogers, " "	30 00
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	\$2,590 00

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By amount of appropriation	\$2,590 00
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GRAVEL LAND.

Paid the Real Estate and Building Company for a lot of gravel land in the Arlington district	\$1,733 97
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By amount of appropriation	\$1,733 97
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PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid Mrs. H. A. B. Thompson, Librarian, and extra services	\$390 87
Miss Mary A. Hawley, Assistant Librarian	49 25
Lockwood, Brooks & Co., stationery and binding	214 98
A. W. Wright, rent.	284 17
S. B. Balkam, fuel	18 15
N. H. Tucker "	8 00
John Scrivens, janitor	102 60
Ward & Gay, stationery	29 03
Noyes, Snow & Co., magazines and papers	46 89
F. Leypoldt, 'The Publisher's weekly'	3 20
S. R. Moseley, printing	45 00
R. F. Boynton, carpenter's work	1 00
C. P. Vaughan, clock	4 50
Henry C. Bird & Co., table	14 00
Sanford & Runnells, oil and chimneys	30 68
Sundry small bills	32 35
	<u>\$1,274 67</u>

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By net amount received for liquor licenses in 1876	\$1,275 00
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Balance unexpended	\$0 33
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REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR.

The past year has been one of unparalleled destitution among the poorer classes. The absence of employment of any kind for either men or women, has not only obliged those who have heretofore been aided by the town to call for continued and increasing aid, but has added large numbers to the list from those who have heretofore been able to maintain themselves. It became evident to the Board at an early day after their accession, that without a revival of business the poor appropriation must be largely increased above previous years, yet, reluctant to add to the burdens of the tax payers, and in the hope of better times, it was decided to call for only the same amount as last year, but times growing worse rather than better, the appropriation as was feared, proved insufficient.

To show the increase, we quote from the previous reports the number of applicants, the number of persons represented by the applicants, and the amounts expended. The report for 1876 does not give these numbers, and we therefore are able to use only those for 1874, and 1875.

For 1874, applicants, 61, individuals represented and aided, 125; amount expended, \$2,678.18.

For 1875, applicants, 56, individuals represented and aided, 176; amount expended, \$3,168.45.

For 1877, applicants 111, individuals represented and aided, 359; amount expended, \$5,540.05.

INSANE PERSONS.

The number of insane persons boarded by the town at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, the last financial year was 4; this

year 8 ; 2 other persons, are boarded in town, and one family of 8 are entirely maintained ; the head being incapacitated by disease from earning anything, and the wife and mother having quite sufficient to do to care for the children, all of whom are too young to do anything towards their own support.

As all the persons who are boarded whether at Taunton or at home, cost the town an average of at least \$200 each, it will be seen that an appropriation of quite respectable size is required merely for those whom the town fully supports, and yet they constitute but about one twentieth of the whole number assisted.

AMOUNTS EXPENDED.

The whole amount expended on the poor account for the financial year, ending, January, 31st, 1878, was \$5,540.05 including bills for preceding year to the amount of \$236.24. There is due from the Commonwealth, and from other towns on account of parties aided by us \$636.67, reducing the net cost of support of the poor for the year to \$4,358.85.

ALMS HOUSE.

The heavy expense of boarding the insane at Taunton, most of whom are not at all violent ; the difficulty of providing suitable boarding places for helpless people not insane, together with the imminent contingency of having whole families of children thrown upon us by the sickness or death of a parent, led the board to seriously consider the feasibility of establishing an alms house. The matter being brought before the town, a committee was appointed to take the matter in hand and report at the next town meeting. A careful investigation resulted in finding but one suitable place, and a difficulty about the title to this rendered it unadvisable to take any further action at that time.

For the reasons given, and others that might be named, the Board are still of the opinion that an alms house should be established in town as soon as practicable.

TRAMPS.

This ignoble army shows no sign of diminution, but as the refreshments provided by the town consist merely of cold water and crackers, the taxes are not very largely increased on their account. The number lodged and reported was 1705, and the expense to the town was \$65.72.

INCREASE OF PAUPERISM.

The rapid increase of pauperism everywhere is a startling fact that excites serious apprehension as to the future. Hyde Park has heretofore been singularly favored in this respect ; a recently settled locality, with no heritage of paupers, the poor expenses of the town during its first year were so trifling that no report was made by the Overseers, beyond the necessary figures ; the whole amount being but little more than is now annually expended on *one person* at Taunton.

The large amount of building, and other improvements, gave ample employment to all requiring it, and destitution was almost unknown for some years.

Now, however, with the entire cessation of building, the stoppage of manufacturies, and the pressure of the times upon the employing classes, the laboring part of the population is generally in extreme poverty, and aid to a large extent becomes necessary. To render this aid judiciously is a serious problem. Humanity and the law both require that the needy should be relieved ; while yet the necessary and increasing expenses of the poor department add materially to the burdens of tax payers. A system, therefore that may have worked well when calls for aid were few and expenses small, may not be the best when calls are numerous and expenses heavy.

THE LAW OF SETTLEMENT.

The theory of law is, that every person has a "settlement" somewhere, and the place of such person's settlement

is chargeable with the expense aiding him (or her) when in need. The laws governing settlements are intricate, in some cases obscure, and in others apparently conflicting ; while new laws are enacted almost yearly, without repealing old ones, the general drift of new laws being to increase the facilities for acquiring a settlement, and to turn upon the various cities and towns paupers belonging to the State or out of it. Every case has also its own peculiarities, and it is sometimes the work of months to get at all the facts necessary to decide upon it. The laws provide for rendering aid to paupers having settlements in other municipalities within the State, and for recovering the amount of such aid rendered, but until recently the State has refused to pay for aid given paupers having no settlement within the State, unless too sick to be removed ; the only alternative for Overseers of the Poor being to expend the money of their town upon persons having no claims on them, or, to send them to the State Alms House at Tewksbury. The manifest hardship of this last alternative, causing Overseers generally to assist such persons until their demands grew too persistent to be borne.

At the last session of the Legislature, however, the Commonwealth adopted another course ; an act being passed, that allows Overseers to aid persons having no settlement within the State, for a space of four weeks, at an expense not to exceed weekly one dollar for each person, or five dollars for a family. This very humane law is, however, coupled with several provisions that go far to neutralize it. It being left entirely with the general Agent of the State Board of Charities to decide whether this aid shall be continued after he is notified, or whether the persons aided shall be sent to Tewksbury. And also that no bill shall be paid by the State without his approval. To fully investigate all the cases throughout the State is evidently an impossible task, and the General Agent therefore usually decides that all these persons are permanent paupers, do not come under the provisions of the act, that if the State is to support them they must be sent to Tewksbury, and that no bills will be paid by the State on their account.

The principal effect of the law therefore, is merely to shift the responsibility of sending persons or families to the State Alms House, from the Overseers of the Poor, to the State Board of Charities.

OUR PRESENT SYSTEM.

And now having presented such facts as may be of interest bearing on the administration of the Poor Laws, it may be well to speak of our present system of administration, and make such suggestions for the future as seem called for. At present our Overseers of the Poor are elected for one year only, and the office is attached sometimes to the Assessors, sometimes to the Selectmen, and with the same result in each case. At the first meeting of the Board of Assessors or Selectmen, for organization, one of their number is chosen Chairman of Overseers of the Poor. The other members, happy in the consciousness that they have made a good choice, and provided their colleague with an amount of business that will astonish him, leave him to manage matters to suit himself, and acquiesce in his desire to be relieved of some of the labor of his other, and as he had supposed, principal office. The new incumbent devotes himself to making the acquaintance of his numerous callers and with their antecedents, he wrestles with the difficulties of the settlement laws, reading carefully volumes of laws and decisions for long years back. He devises and keeps a system of accounts with each of the hundred applicants who regularly besiege him, visits and catechises the new candidates for aid, notifies the various towns and cities, or the State, of persons having no claims upon us; investigates the claims of other towns upon ours, and decides upon them, and after months of hard study and much labor, begins to master the situation and to realize at the same time that his year is nearly out and the uncertainties of another election are at hand.

A BETTER SYSTEM NEEDED.

This system is evidently wrong. The proper administration

of the poor business of this town has become of sufficient importance to occupy the attention of a separate board, and it should not be tacked to some other board as an incidental or unimportant matter.

Neither should there be frequent changes in the constitution of the board. The same reasons which forbid the possibility of an annual revolution in the school board, apply with equal or greater force to that of the poor.

Nor should the whole burden be put upon one man. A board having no other official duties, with its meetings at stated times for the transaction solely of business connected with the Poor Department, would, we think, be more efficient, economical, and satisfactory to the town, than is possible under the present system.

There is of course no objection to putting upon the board individuals who may happen to hold some other town office, but the board as a whole should be an independent one.

An Act passed by the General Court last year, meets the case so admirably that we quote its principal provisions and recommend them to the acceptance of the town.

“SECT. 1. Any town in this Commonwealth, which shall have accepted the provisions of this act at any annual meeting thereof, may at such or any annual meeting thereafter, elect by written ballot from the inhabitants thereof, three persons to be overseers of the poor in such town, one person for one year, one person for two years, and one person for three years, and thereafter at the annual meeting in like manner may elect one person to serve for three years, and these persons so chosen shall constitute the board of overseers of the poor in such town.

SECT. 2. (Provides for filling vacancies.)

SECT. 3. Said boards shall meet and organize annually within seven days after the annual town meeting, by the choice of a chairman and secretary, which last named officer may be from their own number or otherwise.

SECT. 4. Said boards shall cause books to be kept, wherein shall be entered in a neat and methodical style, all information in regard to such needy persons as shall have been aided under their direction, that is required by the general laws of this Commonwealth, and also all further information in re-

gard to every individual case of relief given, asked for or refused, as may be of importance to their towns or the Commonwealth to preserve, stating the amount and kind of aid given, and the reasons for giving such aid or of refusing the same ; such information to be so arranged as to be readily referred to upon the books.

SECT. 5. The acceptance of this act by any town may at any subsequent annual meeting thereof be revoked by such town, and thereupon this act shall cease to be operative in such town."

The act, it will be seen provides for both permanence and rotation in office ; for an effective organization, which includes not only a chairman but a secretary, and makes it obligatory upon the board to keep a full pauper record. This last obligation is one of great importance ; the want of such a record having greatly increased the labor of the present board and added to the expenses of the department. When it is considered that towns and cities are obliged to support paupers whose settlements sometimes come through, not only parents, but grand-parents, and even great-grand-parents, the necessity of pauper records becomes obvious, and yet this town is absolutely without any proper record, except of the most fragmentary character, and, previous to the year 1873, there are no poor records whatever, unless we except the brief mention of names and amounts in the annual reports. The result of this want of system is that confirmed paupers originally known to have no settlement here, gradually pass into the list of "doubtful" and finally, as belonging to the town ; one of this class, who has been assisted for years, became so clamorous and exacting, that a determined and searching investigation into the matter was instituted, which finally resulted in defeating the settlement, and turning the family upon the State. The labor of a single hour, entering this case at the proper time in a record book, would have saved the town a very respectable sum of money.

The present board, impressed with the growing importance of suitable records, have procured a proper book, and commenced entering in it the names and all obtainable information in relation to every resident applicant for aid since the

organization of the town. This task is not yet completed, but when brought up to the present time and properly continued, the work will prove of great and constantly increasing value.

CONCLUSION.

The position of Overseer of the Poor is one of peculiar responsibility, involving the exercise of nice discrimination and sound judgment ; as upon his decisions may rest the welfare of hundreds of poor and needy persons. The statute laws require him to assist all needy and destitute applicants, and the town places at his disposal the necessary means to carry out the requirements of the laws, and the dictates of humanity. To distribute with fidelity and wise economy these funds, to correctly investigate each case of real or apparent poverty, and carefully decide as to the amount and character of aid to be rendered ; to see that no suffering fellow creature is deprived of the necessary aid that he should bestow, and yet to protect his town from imposition from any quarter ; to make himself familiar with the circumstances and history of the numerous applicants, and to keep the numerous accounts required, make his office anything but a sinecure.

We have spoken more fully of these matters, than has heretofore been customary in our town reports, but so little is generally known of the workings of the Poor Department that we have thought it well to present them to our fellow citizens. The expenses of this department though large the past year are still low as compared with other municipalities. The annual report of fifteen other towns in the county show that their poor expenses range from 7 to 25 per cent. of the whole town expenses ; the average being over 15 per cent. In our case they are a little over 6 per cent.

Following is a detailed statement of the expenses of the Poor Department, and the amount of aid rendered various persons as set against their names. Where the name is not followed by that of some town, or of the State, it does

not imply that such person has a settlement here ; many of these cases being doubtful, and still undergoing investigation.

For aid to Allen, Thomas	\$273 31
Anderson, Mary, Gloucester	2 88
Adams, Samuel, State	8 00
Bond, John R.	2 00
Boweal, John	50
Butler, John J., Boston	56 53
Bell, Catherine "	2 78
Barrett, Sarah S.	207 55
Butler, Fannie	22 37
Butler, Henry, State	60 44
Barrett, Mary	45
Briscoe, Mary	16 00
Cannon, Ann	32 97
Campbell, Mrs. Alex.	1 90
Conroy, Bridget	60 71
Conolly, James, State	44 23
Conley, Patrick, Canton	40 89
Clapp, Clara E	135 60
Cahill, Mary Boston	49 25
Claffee, Keran	1 40
Crowley, Mary	203 70
Coughlin, Ellen, Canton	199 10
Curley, James	35
Carter, Michael	3 35
Christy, Hannah	5 50
Driscoll, James	25
Davis, Thomas, State	3 00
Davison, Margaret, Boston	45 74
Donovan, Mary	3 50
Dempsey, John, State	5 56
Davis, Stephen A., Boston	24 36
Daily, John, State	20 50
Foley, Dennis	18 65
Fleming, Margaret	72 66
Foley, Cornelius	2 00
Farrow, John	55
Gill, John	49 11

For aid to Hurley, Michael	\$26 08
Holt, John, State	6 00
Hanson, William	32 84
Hollis, Charles	9 00
Hobart, Frank	12 25
Howe, Patrick	95 93
Holmes, Sarah, State	141 43
Hutchinson, Henry	246 31
Hickey, Ann	103 19
Hickey, Johanna	94 54
Haskell, Mrs. Henry A.	4 00
Hammond, Henry	208 20
Illsley, William, State	22 21
Jordan, Edward, State	100 06
Johnson, Mary A.	195 98
Kelly, Mary	43 26
Kelly, Thomas	129 20
King, Martin	20 41
Laird, Artemas	76 34
Lyons, Edward	13 00
McDonough, Patrick, State	144 92
McCabe, Rosa	152 50
McGowan, Mary	3 50
McGowan, Margaret	110 23
McGovern, Margaret	33 64
McGee, John, State	105 72
McManus, Philip, Dighton	3 50
Moore, John T., State	5 13
Miller, Margaret, Gloucester	46 43
Meehan, Mary T., State	3 00
Murphy, Thomas "	12 16
Naylor, Huldah "	68 98
O'Brian, Margaret	21 78
O'Keefe, Richard, 2d, State	11 86
Olive, James F.	14 00
O'Neal, Margaret	3 51
Powell, Mrs. John W.	13 80
Quigley, Catherine	32 03
Rooney, Patrick. 3d, State	6 13
Scott, John	45 49

For aid to Scoggins, Elizabeth	\$4 00
Sweeney, Catherine	64 78
Smith, Honora	65 02
Sullivan, Naomi, State	49 72
Shedd, Margaret, Boston	17 00
Shedd, Frank	6 00
Sheehan, Edward	8 26
Springer, Fanny, State	36 59
Silvers, George	7 59
Silvers, Sarah	7 50
Tierney, John	16 11
Timberlake, Elias	5 20
Tyler, Charles H., Easton	18 43
Wilkinson, Anna	11 25
Welsh, James	18 20
Welsh, Patrick, 2d, State	23 58
Wood, John, "	7 00
Wood, Isaac, "	8 00
Wing, Betsy A., Waltham	5 00
Withington, Louisa	175 70
White, William	27 61
Aid to sundry insane persons, expense refunded	145 65
" " other persons " " 	32 64
" " " not elsewhere enumerated	60 30
" " 1,705 tramps	56 72
" " James Nash, in 1876; paid City of Springfield this year	62 86
Sundry other bills contracted in 1876, paid this year	303 38
C. C. Hayes, services as Town Physician, to Feb. 1, 1878	150 00
C. L. Edwards, medical examinations	10 00
W. S. Everett, " " 	10 00
Boynton & Rogers, stove and funnel for use of Mary A. Johnson	9 17
Stationery and Printing	16 50
Postage stamps and car fares	4 25
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	\$5,540 05

SUMMARY.

Bills of 1876 paid in 1877	\$366 24
Aid rendered, and expense repaid	178 29
Due from other towns and from the State for amounts paid out in 1877 ,	636 67
Net expenses of Poor Department for the year . .	4,358 85
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	\$5,540 05

AMOS H. BRAINARD,	}	Overseers of the Poor.
C. L. FARNSWORTH,		
EDWIN R. WALKER,		

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Town of Hyde Park,
in account with HENRY A. RICH, Collector of Taxes.

By uncollected Taxes, as per account current, dated February 1, 1877.		
Assessed in 1875.....	\$10,420 83	
Less abatements.....	931 74	
	<hr/> \$9,489 09	
Interest collected.....	1,860 82	
	<hr/>	\$11,349 91
Assessed in 1876.....	\$28,528 03	
“ “ (additional).....	26 77	
	<hr/> \$28,554 80	
Less abatements.....	\$3,050 11	
Less uncollected.....	721 28	
	<hr/> \$3,771 39	
	<hr/> \$24,783 41	
Interest collected.....	2,565 93	
	<hr/>	27,349 34
Assessed in 1877.....	\$85,874 34	
Less abatements.....	\$1,499 25	
Less discount.....	2,538 43	
Less uncollected.....	23,076 87	
	<hr/> \$27,114 55	
	<hr/> \$58,759 79	
Interest collected.....	83 14	
	<hr/>	58,842 93
To cash paid to Town Treasurer at sundry times..	\$97,542 18	\$97,542 18

HENRY A. RICH, *Collector of Taxes.*

HYDE PARK, February 1, 1878.

TREASURER'S

Dr. HENRY S. BUNTON, Town Treasurer, in Account

Cash in the Treasury, February 1, 1877	\$66 87
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AMOUNTS RECEIVED

DURING THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1878:

From Treasurer's Notes, Funded Loan.....	13,000 00
Treasurer's Notes, Temporary Loan.....	33,500 00
Henry A. Rich, Collector, Taxes for 1875.....	11,349 91
Henry A. Rich, Collector, Taxes for 1876	27,349 34
Henry A. Rich, Collector, Taxes for 1877	58,842 93
Treasurer, Commonwealth, for Corporation Tax.....	545 40
Treasurer, Commonwealth, for National Bank Tax.....	964 91
Treasurer Commonwealth, for State Aid.....	433 70
Treasurer, Commonwealth, for State Paupers.....	28 25
Treasurer Commonwealth, for Income Mass. School Fund.....	139 96
County Treasurer, dog licenses, 1877.....	396 58
City of Boston, for aid to { Elizabeth Bryant.....	\$4 94
{ Mary Cahill.....	22 57
{ Stephen A. Davis.....	8 40
	35 91
City of Cambridge, for aid to { John Dixon.....	\$8 31
{ William Killian.....	19 50
	27 81
Town of Easton, for aid to Charles H. Tyler.....	6 35
John M. Twichell, rents from Town Hall Building...	334 81
Sale of school books.....	7 71
Sale of trees.....	1 00
Release of Tax Deeds.....	6,775 13
Interest on Tax Deeds.....	1,344 63
Support of Poor, for board of insane persons, &c.....	178 29
Interest on bank balances.....	148 87
	\$155,478 36

REPORT.

Current with the Town of Hyde Park.

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AMOUNTS DISBURSED:

On account of Treasurer's Notes, Funded Loan.....	\$16,000 00
Treasurer's Notes, Temporary Loan.....	48,500 00
Interest.....	15,715 99
Schools.....	\$17,465 53
Evening Schools.....	262 04
Income, Massachusetts School Fund.....	60 07
School Incidentals.....	2,528 66
Incidentals.....	5,925 88
Highways.....	5,802 29
Fire Department.....	4,252 80
Support of Poor.....	5,540 05
Police.....	1,443 81
Salaries.....	2,590 00
Public Library, current expenses.....	1,274 67
Public Library Fund, paid Trustees.	
amount received for dog licenses in 1876...	512 69
State Tax for 1877.....	5,235 00
County Tax for 1877.....	5,374 40
Gravel Land.....	1,733 97
Henry A. Rich, Collector of Taxes.....	988 12
Defective Tax Deeds.....	194 35
Abatement of amount due on Tax Deeds.....	300 84
State Aid.....	366 00
Sinking Fund, amount of appropriation.....	4,000 00
Sinking Fund, unexpended balance of appropriations....	487 06
Tax Deeds received from Collector..	3,148 17
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	\$149,727 39
Cash in the Treasury, January 31, 1878.....	5,750 97
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	\$155,478 36

Appropriations and Expenditures for the Current Year.

ACCOUNTS.	Appropriation.	Expenditure.	Unexpended.	Deficiency.
Interest... ..	\$16,000 00	*\$15,567 12	\$432 88	
Schools.....	18,500 00	17,465 53	1,034 47	
Evening Schools.....	400 00	262 04	137 96	
School Incidentals.. ..	2,500 00	2,523 66		\$23 66
Incidentals.....	5,700 00	5,925 88		225 88
Highways.....	5,800 00	5,802 29		2 29
Fire Department.....	4,500 00	4,252 80	247 20	
Support of Poor.....	5,500 00	5,361 76	138 24	
Police.....	1,500 00	1,443 81	56 19	
Salaries.....	2,590 00	2,590 00		
Public Library.....	1,275 00	1,274 67	33	
State and County Tax...	11,500 00	10,609 40	890 60	
Gravel Land.....	1,733 97	1,733 97		
Discount on Taxes.....	2,500 00	2,533 43		38 43
Sinking Fund.....	4,000 00	4,000 00		
	\$83,998 97	\$81,351 36	\$2,937 87	\$290 26

*Amount of expenditure, less interest on Treasurer's bank balances.

†Amount of expenditures, less cash received for board of insane persons, &c.

UNEXPENDED BALANCE ACCOUNT, VIZ:

Amount of same (excepting the school appropriations).....	\$1,765 44
Deficiency as shown above.	290 26
<i>Net</i> unexpended balance.....	\$1,475 18

Which has been paid, viz:

Henry A. Rich, Collector of Taxes, (see Selectmen's report).....	\$988 12
Sinking Fund.....	487 06

TOWN DEBT, JANUARY 31, 1878.

FUNDED LOAN.

TOWN BONDS.

One hundred and two bonds, Nos. 1 to 102 inclusive, of one thousand dollars each, payable to bearer with interest at six per cent. per annum, due November 1, 1885, redeemable after November 1, 1880.....	\$102,000 00
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NOTES.

Treasurer's Note(Hyde Park Sinking Fund)six per cent. interest, due June 1, 1881.....	20,000 00
Franklin Savings Institution,Greenfield,seven per cent. interest, due July 22, 1881.....	20,000 00
Franklin Savings Institution,Greenfield,seven per cent. interest, due September 12, 1881	20,000 00
Institution for Savings, Newburyport, five per cent. interest, due January 1, 1882.	5,000 00
Treasurer's Note(Hyde Park Sinking Fund)five per cent. interest, due August 15, 1882.....	12,000 00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, seven per cent. interest due January 8, 1884.....	30,000 00
Home Savings Bank, Boston, seven per cent. interest, due February 23, 1884.....	20,000 00
	\$127,000 00
Total indebtedness.....	\$229,000 00

HENRY S BUNTON, *Town Treasurer.*

HYDE PARK, February 1, 1878.

TOWN OF HYDE PARK

SINKING FUND.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

Amount of Sinking Fund, January 31, 1877 \$36,193 71

RECEIPTS, VIZ:

From Town of Hyde Park, annual appropriation.....	\$4,000 00	
From Town of Hyde Park, unexpended balance		
of appropriations.....	487 06	
Income from investments.....	1,929 71	
	\$6,416 77	
Amount of Sinking Fund, January 31, 1878.....		\$42,610 48

INVESTED, VIZ:

Note, Town of Hyde Park, six per cent. interest,	
dated June 1, 1876, due June 1, 1881.....	\$20,000 00
Note, Town of Hyde Park, five per cent., interest,	
dated August 15, 1877, due August 15, 1882.....	12,000 00
Note, Town of Woburn, five per cent. interest,	
dated July 2, 1877, due July 1, 1887.....	10,000 00
Deposit with New England Trust Co., Boston.....	610 48

HENRY GREW,
 WILLIAM J. STUART, } *Commissioners.*
 HENRY BLASDALE,

HENRY S. BUNTON,

Treasurer Sinking Fund.

HYDE PARK, February 1, 1878.

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATE.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY.

Grew School Building, Land and Personal Property.....	\$36,000 00
Blake " " " "	30,000 00
Greenwood " " " "	30,000 00
Damon " " " "	28,350 00
Everett " " " "	20,000 00
Town Hall " " " "	22,000 00
Fire Department	25,000 00
Butler School Building and Land	1,000 00
Furniture, Safes, etc., in Town Offices	1,000 00
Town Team, etc., etc.....	800 00
Lock-up, Fixtures and Bedding.....	600 00
Hearse	450 00
Weights and Measures.....	350 00
Law Library and Book Case.....	300 00
	<hr/> \$195,850 00

OTHER ASSETS AS FOLLOWS.

Taxes due and Unpaid, as per Collector's Report.....	\$23,798 15
Sinking Fund, as per Commissioner's Report	42,610 48
Tax Deeds.....	7,228 63
Due from the Commonwealth, State Aid advanced.....	366 00
Treasurer's Cash Balance, January 31, 1878.....	5,750 97
	<hr/> 79,754 23
Total Assets, January 31, 1878	<hr/> \$275,604 23

Total Indebtedness of the Town of Hyde Park, January 31, 1878, as per
Treasurer's Report. \$229,000 00

LESS.

Taxes Due.....	}	79,754 23
Sinking Fund.....		
Tax Deeds		
State Aid		
Treasurer's Balance.....		

Leaves Net Indebtedness\$149,245 77

CERTIFICATE.

In compliance with the By-Laws of the Town, the undersigned have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, School Committee, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, Trustees of the Public Library, Overseers of the Poor, and Custodian of the Town Hall, and hereby certify that the same are correct, and all payments accompanied by proper vouchers. The original bills and pay rolls have been carefully examined to ascertain the correctness of the same.

B. C. VOSE,
HOWARD M. HAMBLIN, } Auditors.
D. W. C. ROGERS,

ENGINEER'S REPORT.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

GENTLEMEN,—It is with satisfaction that we inform you that during the past year the demands upon the Fire Department have been light, compared with the previous year. We feel as if the torch of the incendiary had been stayed, yet our firemen have always been ready to discharge their duties. The building law passed last March has been enforced in every case brought to our notice ; it is a step in the right direction.

The machines of the department are in good condition, all necessary repairs having been made. The hose is in about the same condition as last year. A Bangor Extension Ladder has been added to the department, and we consider it a valuable addition. In the last report a Chemical Fire Engine was recommended ; when the matter was brought before the citizens, it was laid on the table ; we hope it will be favorably considered soon, for it would be a great help to the department, particularly where there is an insufficient supply of water, or in the early stages of a fire. In conclusion we again call your attention to the lack of water in both the Fairmount and Sunnyside districts.

Very respectfully yours,

WM. U. FAIRBAIRN, Chief Engineer.
L. A. RUNNELLS,
W. W. HILTON,
Asst. Engineers.

LIST OF ALARMS AND FIRES ATTENDED DURING THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 1, 1878.

DATE.	TIME.		OWNER.	LOCATION.	CAUSE.	LOSS.	INSURANCE.
Feb. 22	8.25 A.M.	Dwelling house. ...	Mercantile Bank.....	Eastern avenue...	Defective flue.....	\$150 00	Fully insured
April 22	1.15 A.M.	Dwelling house....	Michael Rogers.....	Off Central Park av [Williams av]	Incendiarism.....	800 00	\$1,200 00
May 15	12.30 A.M.	Dwelling house.....	Patrick Connell.....	Cor. Pond st & Wil-	Incendiarism.....	2,000 00	1,000 00
June 2	11.20 P.M.	Lumberyard.....	S. B. Balkam.....	Railroad avenue..	Incendiarism.....	6,000 00	4,500 00
" 4	2.20 A.M.	Dwelling house.....	Thomas O'Keefe.....	Off River street...	Defective flue.....	2,000 00	Fully insured
" 12	2.05 A.M.	Tenement House	John Downey.....	Business street ...	Incendiarism.....	1,600 00	1,600 00
Oct. 15	9.15 P.M.	Alarm.....		Fairmount.....			
Nov. 4	7.25 P.M.	Dwelling house.....	Charles M. Tilley.....	River street.....	Over heated stove	1,500 00	2 000 00

OFFICERS AND NUMBER OF MEN.

The following is a list of officers of the several companies, together with the number of men in the employ of the department:—

GOODWILL STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., No. 1.

HENRY B. BRIGGS, Foreman.
CHAS. I. CONWAY, Assistant Foreman.
DANIEL T. CONLON, Clerk and Treasurer.
PETER McCLELLAN, Engineman and nine men.

ROUGH AND READY ENGINE CO., No. 2.

MALCOM ROGERS, Foreman.
WILLIAM HOLTHAM, Assistant Foreman.
HENRY A. BURNETT, Clerk and Treasurer.
W. H. CUMMINGER, Engineman, and nine men.

NORFOLK HOOK AND LADDER CO., No. 1.

GEORGE E. CARLTON, Foreman.
F. A. HAWLEY, Assistant Foreman.
W. H. HARLOW, Clerk and Treasurer, and eleven men.

SPLICER HOSE CO., No. 1.

JOHN B. GUINAZZO, Foreman.
JOSEPH J. O'NEILL, Assistant Foreman.
JAMES A. GUINAN, Clerk and Treasurer, and eleven men.

Total number of firemen, fifty-two.

JOSHUA WILDER, Steward of the Department.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The following are the statistics of Births, Intentions of Marriage, Marriages and deaths in Hyde Park, for the year ending December 31, 1877:

BIRTHS.

Number of Births registered in 1877—166.

Males.....	87	Females.....	79
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The parentage of the children is as follows:—

Both parents American.....	79
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“ English.....	4
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“ Irish.....	39
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“ German.....	3
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“ of British Provinces.....	4
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Mixed—One parent American.....	29
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Both parents of other nationalities.....	8
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Born in January, 10; February, 21; March, 10; April, 16; May, 8; June, 14; July, 15; August, 22; September, 14; October, 12; November, 13; December, 11.

MARRIAGES.

Number of Intentions of Marriage issued in 1877—48.

Number of Marriages registered in 1877—44.

Oldest Groom.....	48	Youngest Groom.....	21
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“ Bride.....	42	“ Bride.....	17
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Both parties born in the United States.....	28
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“ “ Nova Scotia.....	2
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“ “ Ireland.....	6
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“ of other foreign nationalities.....	1
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Foreign and American.....	7
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Married in January, 5; February, 2; April, 8; May, 2; June, 2; September, 4; October, 10; November, 8; December, 3.

The following are the names, ages and residences of the parties whose marriages were solemnized in 1877, certificates of which have been filed in this office: —

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Age.	Marriage, whether 1st, 2d, etc.	By whom Married.
Jan. 4	I. Bruce Shute..... Ella A. Bascom.....	Quincy..... Hyde Park	30 27	1st. "	Rev. P. B. Davis.
" 7	Thomas Lawton..... Frances T. Fitzgerald....	Boston..... Hyde Park	33 29	2d. "	Rev. W. J. Corcoran.
" 10	Willard S. Everett..... Laura A. Dutton.....	" "	45 35	" 1st.	Rev. F. C. Williams.
" 17	Gideon H. Haskell.... Ruth C. Stone.....	" "	31 23	" "	Rev. Geo. F. Warren.
" 30	Thomas McGrath .. Mary Howard.....	" Boston.....	27 27	" "	Rev. James O'Doherty
Feb. 18	Bartlett Crowley..... Annie Tempamy.....	Hyde Park "	25 20	" "	Rev. W. J. Corcoran.
" 18	Thomas Kivlin..... Bessie M. O'Donnell.....	" "	22 20	" "	Rev. W. J. Corcoran.
April 3	Henry A. Haskell..... Jennie B. Moore.....	" "	22 17	" "	Henry B. Terry, Esq.
" 9	Edward J. Dempsey.... Bridget Agnes Dolan....	" "	28 23	" "	Rev. W. J. Corcoran.
" 11	James McDonough..... Levine Curley.....	" "	30 18	" "	Henry B. Terry, Esq.
" 12	Charles H. Wiggin..... Magdalena Ungerer.....	Boston..... "	26 17	" "	Rev. P. B. Davis
" 15	Frederick J. Harrington. Ann Rooney.....	Hyde Park "	26 23	" "	Rev. W. J. Corcoran.
" 21	Edward H. Smiley..... Ella L. Hutchinson.....	[Me. Waterville, Winslow, Me	24 23	" "	Rev. J. S. Whedon.
" 26	John F. Smith	Hyde Park	21	"	Rev. J. S. Whedon.
" 28	Jennie W. Stackpole. ... William Duxbury. . . . Susan E. Simpson.....	" Berkeley, R.I. Hyde Park	18 28 28	" 2d.	Rev. R. B. Van Kleeck
May 15	Joseph Gilpatric..... Sarah E. Everson.....	" Milton	39 26	" 1st.	Rev. M. P. Alderman
" 19	Charles E. Peaslee..... Emma A. Chase.....	Hyde Park Pittsfield, N H	21 21	" "	Rev. P. B. Davis.
June 16	Stephen S. Welsh..... Celia M. Fallon.....	Hyde Park "	23 21	" "	Rev. W. J. Corcoran.
" 30	James B. Fall..... Louise Pond.	" "	35 33	2d. 1st.	Rev. M. P. Alderman.

REGISTRY OF MARRIAGES IN 1877—(Continued.)

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Age.	Marriage, whether 1st, 2d, etc.	By whom Married.
Sept. 3	James F. Hardy..... Ella Mary Goodall.....	Hyde Park. York, Me..	24 20	1st. "	Rev. David B. Sewall.
" 10	Everett B. Chester... Hattie M. Leonard.....	St. Louis, Mo. Hyde Park.	23 19	" "	Rev. P. B. Davis.
" 13	Lewis H. Halden.... Mary H. Foster.....	" "	29 18	" "	Rev. R. G. Seymour.
" 30	Cornelius Kelleher..... Mary McCarty.....	Boston..... Hyde Park.	33 33	" "	Rev. W. J. Corcoran.
Oct. 2	Edmund T. Watkins..... Henrietta B. Richardson	" "	27 24	" "	Rev. R. B. Van Kleeck
" 6	James Murray..... Katie A. McCulley.....	Lowell.... Hyde Park.	47 36	2d. "	Rev. D. C. Eddy.
" 10	Isaac H. Goodwin..... Sarah E. Robinson.....	Boston..... Hyde Park.	21 21	1st. "	Rev. P. B. Davis.
" 13	Henry C. Stark..... Ann Maria Patten.....	" Sturbridge.	28 32	" "	Rev. Clarence Fowler.
" 15	John Knights..... Mary E. Clifford.....	Boston..... Hyde Park.	30 18	2d. 1st.	Rev. F. C. Williams.
" 17	John U. Beers..... Jennie P. Wood.....	Hinsdale, N.H. Keene, N.H.	48 42	3d. 1st.	Rev. P. B. Davis.
" 17	Joseph Willett..... Mary A. Brown.....	Hyde Park. Newton....	30 20	" "	Rev. P. B. Davis
" 25	Herbert F. Corson..... Emma L. Day.....	Hyde Park. S. Canton.	26 21	" "	Rev. I. H. Gilbert.
" 31	John D. White..... Maggie May Fox.....	Hyde Park. "	24 19	" "	Rev. Jesse Wagner.
" 31	Charles W. Young..... Emma Johnson.....	" "	21 21	" "	Rev. D. C. Eddy.
Nov. 1	William P. Bodwell..... Alice E. Hoogs.....	" "	26 23	" "	Rev. J. R. Peirce.
" 21	Frank E. Alexander..... Almeda Converse.....	" "	24 26	" "	Rev. Horatio Alger.
" 21	Henry E. Farnsworth.... Miriam Parker.....	" "	35 21	" "	Rev. P. B. Davis.
" 22	Andrew M. Ritchie..... Martha Williams.....	Brookline. Hyde Park.	28 26	" "	Rev. F. C. Williams.
" 29	George H. Grant..... Margaret F. Lyons.....	" "	28 22	" "	Rev. W. J. Corcoran.
" 29	John P. Dunn..... Ellen F. Coleman.....	" Lynn.....	38 37	2d. 1st.	J. C. Harrington.

REGISTRY OF MARRIAGES IN 1877—(Continued.)

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Age.	Marriage, whether 1st, 2d, etc. .	NAMES.
Nov. 29	William H. Hathaway.... Isabella Hutchinson.. ..	Hyde Park. “	26 23	1st. “	Rev. Wm. B. Wright.
“ 29	Adolphus W. Waldron, Jr Caroline H. McFarland..	N. York, N.Y. St. Paul, Minn	28 32	“ “	Rev. Henry J. Fox.
Dec. 6	George W. Chapman Annie S. Phillips.....	Hyde Park. Provd'ce, R.I.	27 28	“ “	Rev. William Phillips.
“ 25	Robert Scott, Jr..... Minnietta M. Bird.....	Hyde Park. Stoughton.	24 22	“ “	Rev. John W. Savage.
“ 28	Henry J. Kahlmeyer. ... Mary E. Caning.....	Hyde Park. “	25 18	“ “	Rev. T. F. Clary.

DEATHS.

Number of deaths in Hyde Park in 1877—88.

Males.....	47	Females.....	41
Born in United States.....	72		
“ England.....	1		
“ Ireland.....	11		
“ France.....	1		
“ British Provinces.....	2		
Birth place unknown.....	1		

AGES.

Stillborn.....	4
Under one year.....	17
Between 1 and 5 year.....	14
“ 5 and 10 years.....	4
“ 10 and 20 years.....	8
“ 20 and 30 years.....	8
“ 30 and 40 years.....	8
“ 40 and 50 years.....	3
“ 50 and 60 years.....	8
“ 60 and 70 years.....	6
“ 70 and 80 years.....	5
“ 80 and 90 years.....	3

Died in January, 9; February, 8; March, 2; April, 12; May, 6; June, 11; July, 10; August, 11; September, 4; October, 3; November, 8; December 4.

CAUSES OF DEATH.

Albuminuria.....	1	Mesenteric disease.....	1
Apoplexy.....	2	Marasmus.....	4
Anæmia.....	1	Meningitis (Basilar).....	1
Cancer in the stomach.....	1	Obstruction of bowels.....	1
Congestion of brain.....	2	Old age.....	2
“ lungs.....	1	Phthisis pulmonalis.....	1
Cholera Infantum.....	3	“ Laryngea.....	1
Consumption.....	17	Pneumonia.....	5
Convulsions.....	1	Paralysis.....	1
Croup.....	2	Phthisis.....	2
Dropsy.....	2	Railroad accident.....	1
Diphtheria.....	7	Scarlet fever.....	1
Dysentery.....	1	Suicide.....	1
Exhaustion.....	2	Stillborn.....	4
General congestion.....	1	Scrofula.....	1
“ debility.....	2	Spasms.....	1
Heart disease.....	2	Suffocation (accidental).....	1
Hydrophobia.....	1	Scalding (accidental).....	1
Hypertrophy of the heart.....	1	Teething.....	1
Inflammation of bowels.....	1	Typhoid fever.....	4
“ lungs.....	1	Tumor on the brain.....	1

The following are the names of the persons deceased in Hyde Park in 1877 :—

DATE.	NAMES.	AGES.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Jan. 1	Boston A. Campbell.....	61	—	—	Dropsy.
" 2	John B. Gilman.....	24	6	20	Typhoid fever.
" 7	Georgie A. McDonald. ...	32	7	16	Anæmia.
" 9	John C. Foster.....	54	5	24	Apoplexy.
" 11	Fear Atkins.....	71	1	21	Mesenteric disease.
" 14	William Bullard.....	80	9	19	Apoplexy.
" 19	Andrew Simpson.....	68	—	12	Typhoid fever.
" 22	Salley Newhall.....	76	8	24	Consumption.
" 30	Eliza H. Blanchard.....	73	3	—	Old age.
Feb. 1	Etta S. Patch.....	3	7	3	Croup.
" 3	Mary A. Conley.....	14	6	30	Consumption.
" 12	Bertha E. Patch.....	3	9	—	Diphtheria.
" 13	Caleb H. Tyler.....	1	3	—	Pneumonia.
" 15	Charles H. Snaith.....	59	8	—	Albuminuria.
" 17	Annie J. Bragdon.....	18	2	12	Hydrophobia.
" 22	Annie Wallace.....	6	—	—	Scarlet fever.
" 28	Arthur Savage.....	1	5	—	Teething.
Mar. 15	Michael Kilroy.....	—	—	1	Convulsions.
" 19	Bettie Scoggins.....	3	7	—	Accidental scalding.
April 3	Henry McE. Millar.....	1	1	13	Pneumonia.
" 6	James Dolan.....	—	3	7	Marasmus.
" 10	Josiah Saville.....	67	4	—	Pneumonia.
" 10	Alice A. A. Foster.....	19	5	8	Consumption.
" 12	Hannah Drought.....	30	—	7	Phthisis pulmonalis.
" 13	Caroline Sweet.....	73	4	18	Dropsy.
" 15	William H. Curley.....	13	—	16	Consumption.
" 18	— Dunn.....	—	—	—	Still born.
" 19	Margaret Butler.....	6	6	23	Diphtheria.
" 25	Minnie H. Straw.....	19	7	—	Consumption.
" 25	— Morrill.....	—	—	—	Still born.
" 26	William E. Shepard.....	18	7	4	Consumption.
May 5	Winfield Wyman.....	—	—	1	Exhaustion.
" 11	Thomas Dolan.....	43	4	5	Congestion of lungs.
" 17	Bridget Tierney.....	30	—	—	Consumption.
" 19	Harriet A. Cheney.....	36	9	21	Phthisis.
" 29	Patrick Moylan.....	46	—	—	Suicide.
" 29	George Garron.....	64	5	12	Consumption.
June 1	Thomas F. Howe, Jr.....	—	8	28	Congestion of brain.
" 4	— Barrett.....	—	—	—	Still born.
" 4	Annie McL. Husted.....	7	1	22	Diphtheria.
" 5	Michael Downey.....	—	10	—	Pneumonia.
" 5	Charlotte N. Wiggin.....	6	2	14	Diphtheria.
" 6	Josiah Nye.....	34	10	23	Consumption.
" 6	Richard O'Keefe.....	18	2	—	"
" 8	Edith Whittier.....	1	4	9	Spasms.
" 19	David H. Cook.....	27	1	11	Tumour on the brain.
" 22	George W. Tilley.....	22	11	6	Basilar meningitis.
" 27	Elizabeth Mealia.....	25	—	—	Phthisis.
July 4	Martin Burke.....	28	—	—	Railroad accident.
" 11	Patrick Connelly.....	60	—	—	Cancer in the Stomach.
" 13	William H. Conway.....	1	6	3	Diphtheria.
" 14	Henry Madden.....	—	7	11	Congestion of brain.
" 14	Lucy C. Emery.....	42	6	25	Phthisis laryngea.
" 15	Mary E. Brisco.....	24	—	—	Consumption.

DEATHS — (Continued.)

DATE.	NAMES.	AGES.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		Y.	M.	D.	
July 17	Alonzo F. Orcutt.....	56	9	10	Paralysis.
" 18	Julia Shea.....	50	—	—	Typhoid fever.
" 24	Lydia W. Reed.....	84	8	10	General debility.
" 29	George Silvers	53	—	—	Consumption.
Aug. 3	George W. Gilman.....	76	4	—	Debility.
" 16	Lilla Rantz.....	—	4	1	Scrofula.
" 16	Ann E. Forrest.....	1	—	12	Pneumonia.
" 18	Margaret Barrett.....	—	11	18	Cholera infantum.
" 19	Dean F. Bullard.....	—	4	13	Marasmus.
" 20	Edward Mealey.....	—	3	15	"
" 20	Thomas Savage.....	3	11	5	Consumption.
" 22	Ann B. Swift.....	55	4	—	Hypertrophy of heart.
" 23	John M. Lally.....	—	1	19	Cholera infantum.
" 29	Maria S. Ames.....	34	4	—	Consumption.
" 31	Ellen Laycock.....	—	7	—	Marasmus.
Sept. 6	Alice Adams	1	6	—	Dysentery.
" 16	Arthur Holtzer.....	1	5	19	Cholera infantum.
" 17	Elkenah Bartlett.....	38	—	—	Inflammation of bowels.
" 21	Mary A. Mahoney	—	10	—	" lungs.
Oct. 18	Patrick J. Tierney.....	51	7	—	Heart disease.
" 19	— Christy.. ..	—	—	—	Still born.
" 30	Lynian W. Rhodes.....	20	—	—	Typhoid fever.
Nov. 5	Caroline R. Sparrell.....	—	2	4	General congestion.
" 6	Eliza M. Russell.....	—	3	—	Heart disease.
" 9	Cora T. Howes.....	19	—	9	Obstruction of the bowels.
" 10	Drewery F. Snow.....	—	—	—	Exhaustion.
" 12	Patrick Howe.....	67	—	—	Consumption.
" 21	Betsey A. Withington	56	2	—	"
" 23	Cora R. Moody	1	10	—	Diphtheria.
" 25	John E. Woods.....	30	1	—	Suffocation in a gravel bank.
Dec. 2	Thomas F. Cassidy.....	20	—	15	Consumption.
" 12	Arthur T. Norcross.....	1	5	23	Diphtheria.
" 22	Harold C. Farwell.....	—	10	22	Membranous croup.
" 24	Bridget Burke.....	80	—	—	Old age.

The Town Clerk requests information of any omission or error in the above tables, in order that the registration may be as complete as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY B. TERRY, *Town Clerk.*

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE.

To the Board of Selectmen :

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1877, together with the record of criminal arrests and prosecutions ; number of persons arrested, 118, for the following crimes :—assault and battery, 21 ; larceny in buildings, 3 ; larceny, 10 : common drunkards, 6 ; simple drunkenness, 17 ; adultery, 2 ; keeping unlicensed dogs, 8 ; single sale of liquor, 10 ; keeping open shop on the Lord's day, 4 ; cruelty to animals, 1 ; illegal keeping liquor, 9 ; liquor nuisances, 7 ; breaking and entering in day time, 4 ; vagrants, 10 ; perjury, 1 ; juvenile offenders, 5.

Property belonging to Police Departments : 7 pairs handcuffs ; 4 billies ; 3 pairs toggles ; 4 rattles ; 2 lanterns. The number of tramps lodged in the lock-up, has increased nearly 500 in number over that of 1876, and nearly 900 more than in 1875. There are no open bars in the town, for the sale of intoxicating liquor, and if any liquor is sold, it is done in out of the way places and back rooms. By the report of E. W. Moffatt, keeper of the lock-up, the number of tramps provided for in 1877 was 1705. The station house is in good condition. Property belonging to station house : 24 pairs blankets ; 7 pillows ; 6 tin dippers ; 1 water pail ; 1 slate ; 5 slop pails ; 1 broom ; 1 table ; 1 stove ; 1 dust brush ; 1 pan ; 1 lamp.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES JACOBS,

Chief of Police.

Hyde Park, Dec. 31, 1877.

THE SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

HYDE PARK LIBRARY BOARD.

In their previous reports, the Board have considered, at length, those practical questions which rarely fail to beset the earlier years of all similar institutions. The necessity of further discussion upon similar topics no longer exists. The Board see nothing in the near future beyond the usual library routine, which will be likely to call for special consideration in their reports hereafter.

At the organization of the Library Board, a vote of the town ordered its reports to be made at the annual Town meeting for appropriations. This fixed the date of the library year some weeks later than the town year; consequently the annual town report, published in February, could not contain the report of the library, made to the town a month afterward. At its last meeting the town made the library-year the same as the town-year, and ordered that thereafter the library report should be included in the annual report of the town. Thus the town report for the present year contains, for the first time, the Annual Report of the Hyde Park Public Library. Its five previous reports remain, in manuscript, in the office of the Town Clerk.

On account of the change in time, this sixth report of the doings of the library covers but little more than ten months. During these ten months 18,427 books have been delivered by the Librarian, and 17,954 returned to the library. The number of new books purchased in the same time is 125.

The number rebound and repaired, 300. The number recovered has been, upon an average, 18 per day, making more than 5,000 for the ten months. The number of new cards issued, 411. The whole number of volumes now belonging to the library is 5,420.

The fines collected since the last report amount to \$57.32.

Additional shelves have been added to the accomodations of the library, thus filling all the available room remaining. The Librarian has long suffered great inconvenience, and applicants for books much annoyance, from delay occasioned by the lack of sufficient conveniences near the delivery desk ; these have now been supplied, thus preventing much loss of time. Another inconvenience always severely felt, but, for lack of means, never till now removed, has been a complete shelf list of the entire library. That has been prepared, and is now in constant use, greatly facilitating the work of the Librarian. and enabling applicants to be far more expeditiously served than was possible before.

As the library is now firmly established, and as the town has just restored to its permanent fund the amount unwittingly taken from it two years ago, the interest of that permanent fund will henceforth be sufficient to purchase all the new books needed from year to year, as well as all the monthly magazines, papers and other periodicals for the reading room.

Consequently, the appropriation of the annual dog tax to the library fund being no longer necessary, the Board recommend to the town that the said tax be hereafter applied toward the running expenses of the library. Thus, as in the past, the town has never yet raised by tax a single dollar to purchase books for the library or periodicals for the reading room, so, in the future, the interest of the library fund will permanently exempt the citizens of Hyde Park from taxation for those purposes.

Two years since the number of persons holding library cards each in his own name, was 2,447 ; during the last ten months it has risen to 2,851. It is thus seen that the number

of persons taking books from the library, each, either upon his own card or that of some other member of his family, is more than double the number of all the families in town. The entire population of our town was, on the first of last May, 5,879; in that number are included all, from the babe of a day to the adult of a century. Probably no child under the age of seven years can read any library book; the number under that age can hardly be less than 600; to this number add those of any age over seven who either cannot read at all, or cannot read understandingly, the volumes in the library, and the whole number cannot be less than 900; this, subtracted from the whole population, leaves 4,979. Therefore those who have taken out library cards in their own names, and thus may be presumed to have its books in common, if not habitual use, are nearly two-thirds of the inhabitants who can read understandingly the library books.

If knowledge is power (and who doubts it?), this fact reveals the incalculable value of the library as an educational force, thus constantly developing the intelligence of the town and casting its character.

The library has received since our last report the following donation of books:—

From the State of Massachusetts, Public Documents	12 volumes.
“ Mr. W. F. Estey	4 “
“ Mr. E. M. Lancaster	1 “
“ Lockwood & Brooks	1 “
“ MacMillan & Co.	1 “

The Norfolk County Gazette and the Dedham Transcript have each been sent gratuitously to the library from the office of publication during the entire year.

The ease with which persons can get from a library what they seek, is a test of its practical value. The printed catalogue of our library contains the titles of 3,000 books; 2,500 have been added since that was printed. The borrower must know the titles, shelf-numbers, etc., of these before he can draw them. How can he get this knowledge? To find it he must exam-

ine the four manuscript catalogues. Failing there, he must explore the bulletin ; if that gives no light he must con over the weekly lists in the Gazette. These six sources are open to him ; but, probably, before he has gone through half of them his time is out, and his patience too, and he asks, as scores have done before, " Why does n't the Board print a supplement to the catalogue, and thus supply our need, instead of mocking it ? " The " why " is plain. Had the Board the *means*, the printed supplement would be upon the tables in a week.

In the last year's report the Board dwelt at length upon this great hindrance to the usefulness of the library. We did not then, nor do we now, ask the town to vote the money needed to remove it. Great as this need is, more urgent ones, which cannot be postponed, have prior claims. The times counsel economy, to the utmost in all expenditures ; the public can far better afford to wait for this much needed relief, than it can now afford to give it ; but, as it is the right of the town to know the exact condition of the library, the Board states it, and for the present leaves it there.

The practical value of the library to our citizens depends greatly upon the character, culture, and general adaptations of the Librarian. The position demands rare endowments of head, heart and hand, a large acquaintance with books, and extensive general knowledge. The multiform details of the Librarian's work necessitate exactness, system, uniformity and methodical arrangement ; activity, punctuality, quick insight, manual dexterity and rapid execution ; haste without hurry, care without worry, and that power of efficient and sustained accomplishment which administers complicated affairs without confusion. To preside effectively in a free Public Library and reading-room, one should have sound judgment and common sense, a quiet firmness with a gentle manner, prompt action, natural tact, a cheerful, courteous air, kindly ways, and that unjostled balance and self control without which there can be no adequate control of others. As numbers of all ages and grades are at all times liable to be present, common

necessities consecrate the place to silence, and exact it. Hence the law of the library requiring it. If the frequenters of the room find that the movements of the Librarian are free from noise and bustle, his voice low, words few, aspect and bearing quiet and self-poised,—his daily practice and example thus embodying the rules of the library,—they will naturally fall into line and become co-workers with him in preserving silence and order. Even the roughest boys will, in time, grow smoother, and the hardest, softer, in the mellowing air of the room, until each, at length, will come to feel some responsibility as one of its custodians. Thus the Librarian may become largely a public educator, training daily the youth of the town in good breeding, good manners, good habits, and kindly courtesies.

During its first two years the library was in charge of Mr. W. E. Foster, now the Librarian of the Free Public Library in the city of Providence, R. I. Mr. Foster's services during those two years were invaluable to the town. Upon his resignation the Board made a provisional arrangement, by which Mr. J. J. Reeves was put temporarily in charge of the library. Upon Mr. R.'s retirement, Mrs. H. B. Thompson was unanimously elected Librarian. She found the Library in such confusion throughout, that thoroughly to re-establish the reign of systematic method was a tedious task. By the energy and thoroughness with which she then routed chaos and brought back the reign of order, and has ever since with heartiness and fidelity given herself to her work, Mrs. Thompson has won the emphatic commendation of the Board.

The annual report of the Treasurer of the Board for the year ending January 31, 1878, is herewith subjoined, with the official certificate of the Town Auditors.

In conclusion, the Board will only add that the town holds now, in trust for the free use of its citizens, 5,400 volumes. In executing this trust, it assumed at the outset the running expenses of the Library. In estimating these for this year, the Board, ruling out every expense not indispensable, has

fixed the limit at \$1,000, and ask the town to vote that sum. Nearly half that amount has usually been covered by the annual dog tax.

Respectfully submitted,

In behalf of the Library Board,

THEODORE D. WELD, Chairman.

EDWARD S. HATHAWAY, Secretary.

STATEMENT OF CASH, JAN. 31, 1878.

Dr. E. S. HATHAWAY, Treasurer Board of Trustees, in account with Hyde Park Public Library, Cr.

To Balance from old account.....	\$3,255 14	By Cash Purchase of Books.....	\$112 63
Cash received from fines.....	57 32	“ Magazine Subscriptions.....	11 40
“ “ Interest on Deposit.....	154 05	“ on account of G. H. Nott.....	2 00
“ “ Henry S. Bunton, Town Treasurer, Dog Tax for 1876.....	542 69		
“ received from Henry S. Bunton, Town Treasurer, on account purchase of books.....	112 63	Jan. 31st, 1878, by Cash Balance.....	3,995 80
	\$4,121 83		\$4,121 83

HYDE PARK, February 2d, 1878.

We have this day examined the accounts of E. S. HATHAWAY, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Hyde Park Public Library, and find the same correctly kept, and the payments accompanied by proper vouchers.

E. C. VOSE,
HOWARD M. HAMBLIN, } Auditors of the
D. W. C. ROGERS, } Town of
Hyde Park.

BY-LAWS.

At a meeting of the legal voters of the town of Hyde Park, held August 2, 1875, it was voted to adopt the following By-Laws, to wit:—

NOTIFICATION OF TOWN MEETING.

Every town meeting shall be notified by posting copies of the warrant calling the same, in ten public places in the town, seven days, at least, before the day appointed for said meeting; and a copy of the warrant shall be published in the local newspapers of the town once, at least, before said meeting.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

The annual town meeting shall be held on the first Monday of March of each year. The meeting shall be opened at eight o'clock A.M., and the polls shall be kept open until sunset.

RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF TOWN MEETINGS.

1. — Every meeting shall be opened with prayer.
2. — All questions submitted for the consideration of the town, involving the expenditure of money, shall be in writing.
3. — No vote fixing the period for closing a ballot shall be reconsidered after such ballot shall have commenced; but it may be in order to extend the period without such reconsideration.
4. — When a question is under debate, motions shall be received to adjourn, to lay on the table, the previous question, to postpone to a certain time, to postpone indefinitely, to commit, or to amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are herein arranged.
5. — The powers and duties of the presiding officer, not especially provided for by law, or by the foregoing rules, shall be determined by the rules of practice contained in "Cushing's Manual," so far as they are adapted to the condition and powers of the town.
6. — No vote shall be reconsidered except upon a motion made within one hour after such vote has passed, unless such reconsideration is ordered by a vote of two-thirds of the voters present.

FINANCIAL YEAR.

The financial year of the town shall begin with the first day of February in each year, and end on the thirty-first day of the following January.

MEETINGS OF TOWN OFFICERS.

The selectmen, overseers of the poor, board of health, surveyors of highways, and school committee shall post in some conspicuous place at their official rooms, a notice of the times of their respective meetings, and shall also give notice of the same through the local newspapers.

COLLECTION OF TAXES.

1. — The assessment of taxes shall be completed, and a list of the same delivered to the collector, on or before the first day of August of each year.

2 — All taxes which may be assessed, if paid on or before the first day of October next after the assessment, shall be entitled to such discount as the town shall vote at its annual meeting. All persons who may be assessed a poll-tax only, shall pay the same on demand. All taxes shall be paid in full on or before the first day of November next following the assessment of said taxes, and if not so paid, interest shall be paid at a rate not exceeding twelve per cent. per annum, if so voted by the town.

3. — The assessors shall annually, on or before the first day of July, post a copy of the list of poll-tax payers on the outside of the building containing their office.

4. — It shall be the duty of the selectmen to insert the following article in the warrant calling the annual meeting, viz: "To see what discount shall be allowed on all taxes paid on or before the first day of October next."

DUTIES OF THE AUDITORS.

1. — The auditors shall examine the accounts of the selectmen, school committee, treasurer, collector, trustees of the public library, and the custodian of the town hall, and all other officers or committees entrusted with the expenditure of money, and shall certify as to the correctness of the same in the printed annual report.

2. — Before certifying to the accounts of the selectmen and school committee, they shall examine the original bills and pay rolls, and ascertain that they are correct and properly receipted.

3. — Before certifying to the accounts of the treasurer, they shall examine his cash-book, wherein shall be entered his receipts and

payments, as they occur from day to day, shall see that he has paid out no moneys except on proper vouchers, carefully examine all payments for interest, and see that the funds on hand are intact.

4. — Before certifying to the collector's accounts, they shall examine his cash-book, showing the amounts collected from day to day, and showing when the same were paid over to the treasurer; shall see that he has collected interest on all taxes overdue, and shall see a complete list of abatements, and also a list of unpaid taxes.

5. — They shall see that the accounts of the trustees of the public library, and the custodian of the town hall, are kept in a correct manner, and that all payments are accompanied with proper vouchers.

6. — The auditors shall have access to the accounts of the several officers at such stated times as said auditors shall deem for the interest of the town, and shall audit the accounts of the treasurer and collector quarterly.

UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATIONS.

All unexpended balances of the regular annual appropriations shall, at the close of each financial year, be paid into the sinking fund to be used in extinguishing the town debt.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

It shall be the duty of the selectmen to appoint measurers of wood and bark.

REMOVAL OF BUILDINGS AND OBSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAYS.

1. — No building shall be removed over a public street without the written permission of the selectmen.

2. — The owner of such building, or the person or persons removing the same, shall pay the town all damages, costs, and expenses for which the town may be liable or compelled to pay by reason of said street being obstructed or encumbered.

3. — No person shall place, or cause to be placed, in any of the public streets, sidewalks, lands, or upon any of the common lands of the town, without a written license from the selectmen, any manure dirt, gravel, stones, building materials, wood, coal, barrels, boxes, merchandise, or any rubbish of any kind whatever, and suffer the same to remain for twenty-four hours.

4. — All persons who shall obstruct the sidewalks or streets of the town to the molestation of travelers shall be subject to arrest as offenders against the public peace. Constables and police officers are instructed to enforce this rule rigidly.

5. — No person shall ride or drive a horse in any street in the town at a rate faster than eight miles an hour.

6. — No person shall play at ball, or throw balls, snow-balls, or stones, or discharge any gun or fire-arm, or make any bonfires or other fires, in any of the streets or public places in the town.

COASTING.

Coasting on any of the public streets of the town is prohibited, except upon such streets as the selectmen shall designate each year by public notice.

PASTURING OF CATTLE OR OTHER ANIMALS ON STREETS OR WAYS.

1. -- The town hereby adopts and avails itself of the provisions of chapter 45 of the general statutes, relating to the pasturing of cattle or other animals in streets or ways.

2. — No person shall be allowed to pasture any cattle, goat, or other animal upon any street or way in said town, either with or without a keeper, except within the limits of such way adjoining his own premises, and field drivers are instructed to enforce this by-law.

TRUANCY.

The proper officers of the town shall rigidly enforce the provisions of the truant laws of the commonwealth.

JUNK DEALERS.

Every keeper of a shop for the purchase, sale, or barter of junk, old metals, or second-hand articles within the limits of this town shall keep a book, in which shall be written at the time of every purchase of any such articles a description of the article or articles purchased, the name, age, and residence of the person from whom, and the day and hour when such purchase was made; such book shall at all times be open to the inspection of the selectmen, and any person by them authorized to make such inspection; every keeper of such shop shall put in some suitable and conspicuous place on his shop a sign, having his name and occupation legibly inscribed thereon in large letters; such shop, and all articles of merchandise therein, may be examined by the mayor and alderman of any city, or the selectmen of any town, or by any person by them respectively authorized to make such examination, at all times; no keeper of such shop shall, directly or indirectly, either purchase or receive by way of barter or exchange any of the articles aforesaid, of any minor or apprentice, knowing or having reason to believe him to be such; and no article purchased or received shall be sold until a period of at least one week from the date of its purchase or receipt shall have elapsed.

The selectmen are required to incorporate the above by-laws in every license which shall be granted for dealing in the articles therein mentioned, and shall revoke the same on reasonable proof of any violation thereof.

LIST OF TAX-PAYERS.

The names of all persons paying a tax on real or personal property shall be published annually in the town report, together with the amount of tax assessed upon each, and whether the same is paid or unpaid.

PUBLICATION OF BY-LAWS.

The selectmen shall publish these by-laws annually in connection with the town report.

PENALTIES UNDER THE BY-LAWS.

Every violation of any of the foregoing by-laws shall be punished by a fine of not less than one dollar nor more than twenty dollars, to be recovered by complaint before any trial justice in the County of Norfolk, or any other court having jurisdiction.

PROSECUTION UNDER THE BY-LAWS.

Any citizen may, and the selectmen and constable shall, prosecute every violation of any of the foregoing by-laws, by complaint before any trial justice in the County of Norfolk, or any other court having jurisdiction.

REPEAL OF OLD BY-LAWS.

All former by-laws of the town are repealed on approval of these by-laws, as provided for in the following section:—

BY-LAWS, WHEN TO TAKE EFFECT.

These by-laws shall go into effect from and after their passage and their approval by the superior court within and for the County of Norfolk.

Attest:

HENRY B. TERRY, *Town Clerk.*

NORFOLK, ss. Superior Court, September Term, to wit: October 5, 1875. The foregoing By-Laws are approved. By the Court.

ERASTUS WORTHINGTON, *Clerk,*

A truly copy. Attest:

ERASTUS WORTHINGTON, *Clerk.*

At a meeting of the legal voters of the town of Hyde Park, Mass., held March 29th, 1877, it was voted to so alter the By-Laws of this town, that the Section entitled,

UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATIONS,

Shall, instead of the present reading, read as follows, to wit: "Any unexpended balance of the regular annual appropriations, excepting the school appropriations, shall at the close of each financial year, be paid into the sinking fund, to be used in extinguishing the town debt."

And at a meeting held April 10th, 1877, by adjournment of the above-mentioned meeting, it was voted to adopt the following

BY-LAWS IN RELATION TO THE PREVENTION OF FIRES, TO WIT:

It shall be the duty of every person who shall commence the erection of any building within the town of Hyde Park to notify the Board of Engineers thereof before he shall commence building the chimneys therein.

All chimneys in wooden buildings shall be built of brick, stone, or other fire-proof non-conducting material. All brick flues shall be smoothly plastered *inside* with mortar from top to bottom and *outside below the roofing*.

In no case shall chimneys rest upon any flooring without a footing of masonry or iron supported by iron beams, having a secure bearing of masonry or iron at either end.

All flues shall be topped out at least four feet above the roof of the building to which they belong. The brick topping out of chimneys shall not have more than two inches projection, unless covered by a cap of metal or stone properly secured.

Hearths of fireplaces or grates shall be laid upon brick or other trimmer arches, or upon bars of iron supporting a bed of brick-work.

No wood-work of any kind shall be placed at a less distance than one inch from the outside brick-work of any flue. In no case shall a nail be driven into the masonry of any flue.

No wood-work shall be placed at a less distance than one inch from any tin or other metal flue or flues, pipe or pipes, used or intended to be used to convey heated air or steam in any building, unless such flues or pipes shall be cased with metal, leaving a free circulation of air all around the same.

No smoke-pipe in any such wooden or frame building shall hereafter enter any flue, unless the said pipe shall be at least twelve in-

ches from either the floors or ceiling; and in all cases where smoke-pipes pass through stud or wooden partitions of any kind, whether the same be plastered or not, they shall be guarded by either a double collar of metal, with at least four inches of air space and holes for ventilation or by a soap-stone ring, not less than three inches in thickness and extending through the partition.

The Board of Engineers shall examine into all shops and other places where shavings or other combustible material may be deposited or collected, and at all times be vigilant in the removal of the same, whenever, in the opinion of any majority of them, the same may be dangerous to the security of the town from fires; and direct the owner, tenant, or occupant of said shops, or other places, to remove the same; and in case such owner, tenant, or occupant's refusal or neglect so to do, to cause the same to be removed at the expense of such owner, tenant, or occupant.

It shall also be the duty of said Engineers to take cognizance of all buildings in the town in which any steam engine shall be used, and of all buildings in the town in process of erection or alteration, and to make a record of such thereof as in their judgment may from any cause be dangerous, and report the same to the Selectmen forthwith. And whenever in the opinion of a majority of the Board of Engineers, any chimney, hearth, oven, stove, stovepipe, fire-frame or other fixture, or any camphene or other explosive or inflammable fluid or material, or whatever else may give just cause of alarm, should be altered, repaired or removed, they, the said Engineers, shall forthwith notify and direct the owner, tenant or occupant of the premises upon which the same are situated, to alter, repair or remove the same, as the said Engineers shall direct. And in case such tenant, owner or occupant shall refuse or neglect so to do, the said Engineers shall cause the same to be removed, altered or repaired at the expense of such owner, tenant, or occupant, who shall also be liable to a penalty, not exceeding fifty dollars for such neglect or refusal. And any person who shall obstruct the Engineers, or any of them, in carrying out the provisions of this section, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars.

The removal, extension or essential alteration of any building; also, the rebuilding or repairing of any building which has been partially destroyed by fire, shall be subject to the same restrictions which are imposed by the foregoing By-laws on the erection of buildings.

PENALTIES UNDER THE BY-LAWS.

Every violation of any of the foregoing By-laws shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, to be recovered by a complaint

before any trial justice in the county of Norfolk or any other court having jurisdiction.

PROSECUTION UNDER THE BY-LAWS.

Any citizen may, and the Board of Engineers and constables, shall, after five days notice in writing to the violator thereof, which notice shall contain a definite statement of the matter complained of, prosecute every violation of any of the foregoing By-laws, by complaint before any trial justice in the county of Norfolk or any other court.

BY-LAWS WHEN TO TAKE EFFECT.

These By-laws shall go into effect upon their passage and approval by the superior court within and for the county of Norfolk.

Attest:

HENRY B. TERRY, *Town Clerk.*

NORFOLK, s.s. Superior Court, April Term, 1877. The foregoing By-laws relating to fires, and also relating to unexpended balances are approved by the court.

JOHN W. BACON, *J. S. C.*

A true copy. Attest:

ERASTUS WORTHINGTON, *Clerk.*

RESIDENT TAX-PAYERS.

NAMES.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Unpaid.
A			
Adler, Leonard		16 67	
Alderman, M. P.	76 85		
Aldrich, E. C.	63 80		
Allen, Abbie F.	79 75	2 90	
Allen, Charlotte M.	10 15		
Allen, Orville,	59 45		
Allen, Thomas	10 15		10 15
Allen, Zenas	56 55		
Andrews, J. R.	33 35		33 35
Andrews, W. H. H.	83 37	4 35	39 32
Anderson, Lydia	39 15		
Anderson, W. P.		2 90	
Arentzen, J. W.	23 93		
Arnaud, Augusta M.	44 95		44 95
Arnold, Isaiah F.	50 75		
Arnold & Hibbard	31 90		31 90
Artault, Louis E.	37 70		
Atenberger, George	27 55		
Aborn, Eliza M.	40 60	1 45	
Ayer, George Heirs of	16 67		
B			
Badger, Susan C.	130 50		130 50
Bailey, G. G. Jr.		2 17	2 17
Baker, E. V., Estate of	31 90		
Balcom, D. O.	46 40	2 90	
Bass, George	37 70		37 70
Bass, George J.	71 05	1 45	
Bass, G. Walter		1 45	
Bardan, Michael		43	
Balkam, S. B.	90 63	74 68	
Baptist Church First	76 85		76 85
Barney, J. E.		15 23	15 23
Barney, J. O.	56 55		
Barrett, C. H.	95 70	2 90	2 90
Barrett, Hannah	10 15		10 15
Barrows, Harriet M.	31 17		15 59
Barritt, W. H.		4 35	
Barry, Michael	21 00		
Bartlett, Elizabeth	27 55		27 55
Bartlett, Elkenah	23 20	2 18	25 38
Bartlett, Mrs. H. S.	29 00	1 45	
Bartlett, W. B.	33 35		
Bascom, J. T.		14 50	14 50
Bates, Annie	33 35		
Bates, Leslie	30 45		30 45
Bates, J. C.	76 85	17 40	
Baker, John S.		2 17	2 17
Beatey, John	33 35	1 45	34 80
Bean, J. W.	23 20	6 67	29 87
Becker, Ernst	31 90		
Bennett, John	24 65		
Bent, G. W.	44 95		
Bennett, B. F.		2 90	
Bemis, Mrs.		1 45	
Berger, Antoine	34 07	43	34 51
Bishop, Samuel		2 90	2 90
Bird, Lewis J.		6 89	
Bickford, L. B.	115 27		
Bickmore, A. P.	43 50		

RESIDENT TAX-PAYERS — (Continued.)

NAMES.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Unpaid.
Bigelow, F.		2 90	
Blackmer, Seth M.	78 30	6 24	
Blake, A. F.	121 80		
Blake, A. P., Trustee	21 75		
Blake, E. E.	92 80		
Blake & Carr	232 00	29 00	261 00
Blake & Webster	325 52		
Blake E. E. & Barnes,	13 05		
Blanchard, Richard, Heirs of	132 63	1 45	
Blasdell, Henry	89 90	10 15	
Bleakie, Robert	508 95	4 35	
Bleakie, John	46 40		
Blume, Julius	39 88		
Blodgett, S. P.	7 97	2 17	10 14
Bodwell, William P.		2 17	
Bodwell, Nathaniel	46 40		46 40
Bonnell, H. C.	26 10		
Bonnell & Hood	39 15		
Bonney, Susan	39 15	2 90	
Bowen, Patience	39 15		39 15
Bowers, Sarah	26 10		
Bowker, Perry G.	53 65		
Boyd, Francis	94 25	2 18	96 43
Boyd & Boyd,		21 75	21 75
Boyle, Nellie D.	27 55		
Boynton, Francis	46 40		
Boynton & Rogers	60 90	18 85	
Bowen, H. M.		1 45	
Broad, J. Otis	17 40	17 40	
Brackett, John S.	22 47		
Brady, John	21 02		
Bragdon, J. F., Heirs of	18 85		
Brainard, An. os H.	131 22	6 67	
Brainard Milling Machine Co	130 50	181 25	
Brigham, F. D.	17 40		
Brennan, Patrick	27 55	1 45	
Brown, I. J.	381 35	3 63	
Brown, B. J.	36 25		
Brown, James	44 95		
Brown, O. Q.	84 82	2 18	34 97
Brown, J. W.		1 45	
Brooks, A. H.		2 17	
Budlong, J. S.	47 13		
Bullard, Isaac	60 90	2 90	
Bullard, William, Estate of	415 43	5 80	421 23
Bullard, William A.	46 40		46 40
Bunker, Charles E.		7 25	
Bunker, S. S.	42 05		42 05
Bunton, Henry S.	10 15		
Burke, Patrick	14 50		14 50
Burke, Thomas	13 05		
Burke, Thomas, 2d	10 15		
Burke, John	2 90		
Burnett, Marshall	36 25		
Burnett, Nancy D.	23 20		
Burns, D. D.	34 80	3 62	
Burns, Denis	50 75		
Burns, Timothy		9 42	
Butler, George H.	69 60	2 90	
Butler, O. W.		14 50	
Buzzell, Mattie G.	31 17		
Bussey, Charlotte A.	28 27		28 27
C			
Cable, H. M.	129 05	2 90	
Caffin, Elizabeth	101 50		

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NAMES.	Real Estate	Per- sonal.	Unpaid.
Caldwell, John A.	78 30	5 95	
Campbell, W. A.		43	
Campbell, Josiah W.	17 40		
Cannannon, Patrick	18 85		
Cannon, Michael	27 55	1 09	28 64
Cannon, Michael, 2d	23 20		7 25
Cannon, Michael, 3d	20 30		20 30
Case, Eliza L.		8 70	
Case, W. J.	69 60	7 25	
Case, Samuel T.	39 90		
Carlton, Hiram	181 25	16 43	
Carter, A. F.	30 45		
Carty, Peter	29 00		
Candall, G. A.		2 90	2 90
Cassidy, James		4 35	
Chamberlain, H. C.	55 83	30 09	
Chamberlain, Thomas	42 05	2 90	
Chapin, Mrs. A.	78 30	3 63	
Chapman, Mrs. Lucy A.	84 10	79 03	
Chapman, George W.	29 00		
Chesley, S. A.	33 35		
Choate, W. P.	39 15	1 45	
Churchill, E. S.	43 50	2 17	45 67
Cilley, J. L.	33 35	2 17	
Clark, Sarah A.		24 14	
Clark, Marcus, Heirs of	47 85	44 95	
Clark, Heman A.	60 90	3 63	64 53
Clark, L. C.	4 35	1 45	
Clark, Mary, 1st	33 35		
Clark, Mary, 2d		29 00	
Clark, S. D.	36 97		
Clark, T. Emery	72 50	5 07	5 07
Clapp, Mrs. S.	28 27		28 27
Clifford, Charles		1 45	1 45
Cleveland, E. A.	27 55		
Cobb, Sylvanus, Jr.	116 00	33 35	
Cobb, Mrs. Eben	39 15		
Cochran, Mary J.	36 25		
Cochran, Adelaide L.	39 15		39 15
Cochran, Andrew		2 90	
Corcoran, W. J.	15 23	7 25	
Coffin, S. B.	49 30	10 87	
Colby, Charles H.	76 85	21 40	
Coleman, E. J.	42 05	6 96	49 01
Conlan, P. S.	32 62	4 06	
Connell, Patrick	15 95		15 95
Connolly, Michael	49 30		
Connolly, Michael, 2d	15 95		15 95
Congregational Society, First	56 55		
Conway, Georgiana F.	29 00		29 00
Conway, Charles I.		2 17	
Collins, Rebecca M.		1 45	
Collins, Edward W.	53 65	2 90	56 55
Collins, Laura	24 65		24 65
Cook, Emily A.	36 25		36 25
Cook, Jacob	60 90		
Coan, Eugene N.	47 85		
Coleman, George W.	23 20		
Cooper, Fannie W.	50 03		
Corbett, Jeremiah	52 20	3 05	55 25
Corrogan, Mrs. John	23 92	4 35	28 27
Corrogan, Thomas		2 90	2 90
Corson, Reuben	55 10	23 20	78 30
Cowles, Lyman B.	17 40		17 40
Cothell, Nathan T.		7 25	
Coverley, James		2 17	
Crummet, Charles H.	95 70	6 24	101 94

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NAMES.	Real Estate.	Per- sonal.	Unpaid.
Cullen, Ann	10 15		
Curley, Patrick		3 34	3 34
Curley, Sabina	21 75	1 45	23 20
Currier, Charles		2 90	
Cutter, Isaac	27 55	2 17	29 72
D			
Damon, Roscoe	5 07		
Darling, Henry A.	53 65	4 35	58 00
Darling, W. H.	58 00		58 00
Davis, Alonzo	44 95		
Davis, David L.	204 45	104 40	
Davis, E. P.	4 35	1 45	4 08
Davis, Edmund		2 17	
Davison, Delos	76 71		76 71
Day, Sarah E.	33 35		33 35
Dee, Dennis	29 00		29 00
D'Entremont, Miss	36 25		
Dill, Martin L.		2 18	
Dolan, Patrick	11 60		11 60
Dolan, Thomas, 2d	26 10		26 10
Dodge, Annie F.	37 70		
Dodge, Mary K.		1 45	
Downs, S. S.	25 37		
Donlan, Malachi	46 40	4 35	50 75
Domett, J. W.		1 45	
Dowse, George S.	49 30	2 17	
Dow, J. G.	40 60		5 80
Downey, John		1 45	1 45
Downey, Michael	27 55		
Downey, Michael		4 35	
Downing, Alfred	130 50	68 87	
Downing, Belinda		75 34	
Dyer, William		4 35	
Dyer, Quincy	49 30	20 30	
Dunham, Ella	32 63		
Dunn, J. P.	7 97		7 97
Dunn, William	66 70		
Durell, J. M.	79 75	3 63	
E			
Eagan, William	43 50	1 45	
Edwards, C. L.	79 75	29 00	29 00
Edwards, E. E.	50 75		
Edwards, Lovey L.	79 75		
Ellis, Charles, Estate of	81 20		81 20
Ellis, J. P.	59 45	2 90	
Emory, J. P.	45 67		
Ennaking, John J.	52 20		
Englehardt & Roslyn	34 80		
Estes, G. F.	136 30	6 52	
Estey, Willard F.	69 60		69 60
Everett, W. S.	78 30	26 10	
Evans, T. C.	133 40	21 75	
Ewins, Alexander	65 25		
F			
Fairbairn, W. U.	62 35	4 35	
Fall & Fisk		14 69	
Fallon, Bridget	13 05		13 05
Fallon, Peter	24 65		
Fallon, Hugh, Estate of		12 62	
Farnsworth, C. L.	104 40	26 10	
Farrington, John B.	79 75	4 35	84 10

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NAMES,	Real Estate.	Per- sonal.	Unpaid.
Farrington, G. E.		4 35	
Faunce, Thomas E.	33 35		
Farwell, E. C.		2 90	
Fardy, William		1 45	1 45
Fernald, George M.	34 80		34 80
Fellows, George M.	46 40		46 40
Fessenden and Crane, Misses	7 25		
Fife, James	5 80	1 81	
Fisher, Sophia	58 00		
Fiske, H. C.	160 22	3 33	
Fitts, Frank		10 15	
Fitton, Maurice N.	42 05	2 18	44 23
Foster, Alfred	118 90	43	
Foster, Mrs. S. A.	27 55	1 45	
Foley, James	31 90		31 90
Fowler, W. W.	27 55		27 55
Fowler, W. C.	40 60		
Foote, Charlotte L.	50 75		
Folsom, Miss Harriet		1 45	
French, L. J.		55 10	13 60
Frame, John		2 18	
G			
Gardner, Joseph H.	34 08		
Gallagher, Andrew	27 55	7 97	36 52
Gallagher, John, Estate of	31 91		31 91
Gargan, Julia	2 17		2 17
Garron, George, Estate of	43 50		
Gateley, James, Estate of	2 90		
Gateley, Thomas, Estate of	29 00		
Gateley, John		1 16	
Gay, R. L.	42 05	2 90	
Gerald, F. L.	52 92	2 90	
Gerry, C. F.	162 40	8 70	
Giles, Alfred E.	75 40	17 40	
Giles, Henry	42 05		
Gilson, W. N.	36 25		
Gibbons, Patrick	7 25		
Gladwin, Dollie H.	33 35		33 35
Gordon, Mary D.	34 07		
Golding, Adeline S.		15 95	
Goodwin, Joel F.	39 15	15 23	
Goss, Daniel J.	40 60	6 96	
Goss & Williams	14 50		14 50
Gould, H. H.	42 05	72	
Graham, John	29 00		
Grant, Peter	19 57	1 30	
Grant, William	88 45	2 90	
Gray, O. T.	66 70		66 70
Gray, W. A.		1 45	
Greeley, John D.	30 45		
Greeley, John H.	43 50		
Gregg, Clark C.	39 15	2 17	
Grew, Henry	2047 40	119 63	
Grew, Henry S.		206 63	
Green, Lewis A.		1 45	
Gridley, Susan P.	47 85		
Gribben, Jeremy	36 25		
Greenwood, Elinn, Estate of	321 17	98 31	
Greenwood, Phebe H.	23 20		
Greenwood, Frank	15 95		
Gunnison, George W.	50 75	7 25	58 00
H			
Hale, Alfred	60 18	26 82	

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NAMES.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Unpaid.
Halden, John	39 15	2 17	
Haley, Charles	319 72	2 17	321 89
Haley, Elizabeth M.	30 45		
Halliday, Geo. W.	56 55		56 55
Hall, Isaac H.	32 63	1 82	34 45
Hall, Joseph R.	36 25		
Harding, D. J.		1 45	
Hamblin, Benj. L.	94 98		
Hamblin, J. G.	222 57	4 06	
Hamblin, R. W.	26 10		
Hamblin, Joseph G., Jr.,		1 45	
Hanchett, George W.	46 40		
Hauscomb, George W.	46 40	1 45	
Hardy, Elizabeth	168 93	4 78	47 85
Harlow, Philander	60 90	2 18	173 71
Hardy, Elmira W.	47 85		47 85
Harris, Thomas	42 05		
Haskell, G. H.	79 02		
Haskell, David		2 17	
Hatch, Freeman	46 40		
Hathaway, E. S.	42 78	7 25	
Hatlinger, J. J.	39 87	2 90	
Hayes, C. C.	55 10	1 45	
Hazelton, David	39 15		
Hadley, Brooks		2 17	
Hayward, E. S.		2 90	
Hebbard, Nathaniel	126 15	3 05	
Henderson, Mary	42 77		33 47
Hewins, Harriet	50 75	2 90	53 65
Heustis, C. P.	82 65	2 90	85 55
Hill, Hamilton A.		20 30	
Higgins, David	94 25	87	95 12
Hillborn, Sarah	43 50		43 50
Hill, Joseph	89 90	2 90	
Hill, Joseph, Jr.		2 90	2 90
Hill, W. S.	101 50	7 25	108 75
Hill, Sarah J.	36 25		
Hilton, W. B.	36 25		36 25
Holway, A. H.	475 60	3 63	479 23
Hodges, A. S.	27 55	2 90	
Hollis, Stephen	33 35		
Holmes, Ellis H.	40 60		40 60
Holmes, C. P.	44 95		
Holmes, Mary	21 75		21 75
Holtham, H. S.	46 40	7 69	7 69
Holt, C. F.	69 60		
Hood, Georgiana	7 25		
Hoogs, William H.	58 00	1 09	
Hopkirk, Jane	127 60	2 17	68 87
Horn, Ernst' Estate of	14 50		
Horn, Olive	21 75		
House, Annie		2 90	2 90
House, Nettie F. B.	46 40	2 90	49 30
Hovey, Solomon	121 80	91 35	
Howard, George L., Estate of	42 05	2 90	
Howe, H. J.	38 42		38 42
Holden, T. B.	49 30		
Hodgkinson, John	16 67		
Holdsworth, Squire	29 00		
Hunnewell, W. N.		2 18	
Hughes, Elizabeth	50 75	2 17	
Hughes, Owen	44 95	6 67	51 62
Huggins, Charles E.	34 80		
Hunt, L. B.	89 90	2 90	92 80
Hurd, W. J.	40 60		
Hurter, George C.	49 30		
Hutchinson, H. E.	20 30		20 30

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NAMES.	Real Estate.	Per- sonal.	Unpaid.
Husted, R. W.		2 90	
Hyde, James R.	59 45		
Hyde Park Savings' Bank	49 30		
Hyde, George M.	10 15		10 15
I			
Ingersoll, William H.	63 07	22 47	
Ireland, John, Estate of	44 95		
Ireland, Corydon	36 25		
J			
James, George	34 80	44	
Jenkins, Howard	43 50	2 17	45 67
Jigger, John W.	5 80		
Jigger, Robert	43 50		
Johnson, John J.	65 25	17 40	80 65
Joyce, Jane	43 50		43 50
Jones, B. H.	41 33		
Jones, Robinson & Co.		44 95	
Joubert, D. Z.	31 90		
Joubert, L. A.	29 00		
Jordan, Susan L.	52 20		
K			
Kelley, M. F.		1 45	
Kelley, Archibald	2 90		
Kelleher, Daniel		1 45	
Keenan, Catharine	26 10		
Kendall, D. F.	50 75	31 90	
Kendall, E. A.	46 40	10 15	
Kendrick, H. C.	36 97	17 40	
Kennedy, Mary		11 60	11 60
Keyes, J. C.	44 95		
Kelsey, E. R.		1 45	
Riggen, John	21 75		
Riggen, Michael	46 40	118 32	
Kingston, Thomas		2 90	2 90
Knowles, H. W.	56 55		
Kubasch, H. C. W.	59 45		
Kuhn, Ernst	5 80		
Kuhn, Richard E.	42 05		
L			
Lancaster, E. M.	44 95	6 52	
Lanahan, Robert	3 62		3 62
Lane, Edward	26 10		
Lane, Marcus	20 30		
Lane, Charles E.	44 95	2 17	
Lawler, Patrick	29 00	1 45	
Lake, Martha S.	31 90		
Leadbeater, Charles	26 10		
Laughlin, John F.		1 45	
Leach, B. F.	107 30		107 30
Lee, Bridget	30 45	1 45	31 90
Lentest, Mary G.	7 25		
Lentell, John	69 60	14 50	
Leonard, Charlotte	46 40		
Leonard, Martin, Estate of	18 85		18 85
Leseur, B. F.	75 46	11 32	
Leseur, Horatio	107 30	2 17	
Leverett, J. W.	40 60		
Lewis, Mary C.	34 80	2 90	
Lord, L. W.	10 87	44	11 31

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NAMES.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Unpaid.
Logan, Annie	29 00		29 00
Lovell, Sarah A.	40 60		40 60
Lowry, J. G.	30 45		
Lucy, E. & M.		5 80	
M			
Macomber, Amos	11 60		
Macomber, Edward A., Estate of	66 70		
Macomber, Martha D.	55 10		
Macomber, A. G.		1 45	
Maguire, Margaret	19 21		19 21
Maguire, Richard	35 53	2 17	
Mahoney, Dennis	4 35	3 77	
Mahoney, Florence	8 79	44	9 14
Mandell, A. A.	36 97	44	
Mansfield, Oliver W.	60 90	72	
Marr, Adeline M.	108 75	4 35	
Mason, D. W.		2 90	
Mason, W. D.		1 45	1 45
Mallon, Mrs. M. H.	34 80		
Mahar, Patrick		2 54	2 54
Martin, Thomas H.		2 90	2 90
Mathewson, Jerome	44 23		44 23
Maynard, William M.		2 90	
Magee, John		72	
McAvoy, J. D.	61 62	14 96	
McCabe, Patrick	17 40		17 40
McCarty, Daniel, Estate of	29 00		29 00
McCarty, John	7 25		7 25
McCormick & O'Brien	79 75		
McCormick, John J.		3 63	
McDonald, D. A.	5 80		
McDonough, Martin		44	
McDonough, Margaret	11 60	44	
McDonough, John	34 80		34 80
McGilleuddy, John	17 40		
McGovern, Thomas		44	
McKenna, Edward	56 55	1 45	
McKenna, J. H.		2 17	
McKenzie, Stuart	5 80		5 80
McKnabb, James	29 00	72	29 72
McNamarra, John	42 05	1 88	
McMa-ter, Bernard	17 40	2 03	19 43
McMahon, James	13 05		13 05
Merritt, Palmer		13 78	
Mercer, Emily		2 17	
Merrill, S. A.		2 90	
Methodist E. C. Society	60 17		60 17
Miles, George		25 38	
Milan, Patrick, Estate of	1 45		
Miller, George H.	66 70	6 52	73 22
Miller, Annie	29 00		29 00
Miner, Henry B.	168 75	5 07	
Mitchell, W. D.	27 55		
Morrow, Rebecca E.	18 85		
Morrill, W.		1 45	
Morrill, M. P.		1 45	
Mosher, John H.	14 50		14 50
Moseley, R. P.	30 45		
Moseley, S. R.		29 00	
Moffatt, E. W.	39 15		
Monahan, James	29 00	43	
Moocar, James F.	39 15		
Moody, C. H.	27 55		
Moreland, D. S.	60 90		15 95
Morrison, E. R.	27 55		

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NAMES.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Unpaid.
Morrison, Henry	24 65		
Murray, John	26 82		26 82
Murray, Thomas	14 50	1 45	15 95
Murrow, Eunice M.	18 86		
N			
Neal, Mrs. A. B.	29 00		
Neal, J. B.		3 62	3 62
Neal, Luther	73 95	1 45	75 40
Neal, Oliver L.	59 45		59 45
Nelson, T. L.	46 40		
Newcomb, Edward	42 05		42 05
Newall, Miss S. E.	58 55		
Newton, R. D.	65 25		
Newall, Mary A.	2 90		
Nichols, Nancy H.	116 00		
Nightingale, W. H.	46 40		46 40
Noble, Mark E.	36 25	21 75	
Norling, C. G.	36 25	2 17	
Norris, William H.	31 90	7 25	31 90
Norton, Susan M.	34 80	2 90	
Nott, Gordon H.	8 70	4 35	13 05
Noyes, A. M.	49 00		49 00
Noyes, M. H.	76 49	4 35	
Nye, David B.	20 30		20 30
Nye, Josiah, Estate of	27 55		27 55
O			
O'Brien, Martin		24 65	
O'Connell, John	2 90		
O'Connell, Michael		72	72
O'Donnell, Edward	27 55		
O'Donnell, Edward		44	44
O'Keefe, Thomas	20 30		20 30
O'Neal, Arthur	31 90	72	
O'Neal Brothers		8 42	
O'Neal, P.		21 75	
Orcutt, F. H. S.	33 35		
Orr & Butman	82 65	72	
Orpan, Samuel	24 65		
Osgood, A. M.	34 80	2 17	36 97
Overell, Louisa M.	26 10		
P			
Page, A. A.	50 02	2 17	
Page, E. B.	65 25	2 90	
Page, Harriet J.	39 15		
Paine, John A.	37 70	2 17	39 87
Parker, George	32 62	2 18	34 80
Partridge, Sewall	46 40		46 40
Palmer, L. H.		2 90	
Payson, J. W.	82 65	2 90	
Peabody & Co.		34 80	
Peabody, Mary L.	14 50		
Perie, George H.	43 50	1 45	
Peck, Mary Ann	42 05		
Perkins, David	158 06	6 96	
Perkins, Ezra G.	259 55		
Perkins, G. H.	40 60	2 90	43 50
Perkins, Louisa R.	26 10		
Perry, Mrs. Ira	46 40	2 90	
Phelps, Henry		7 25	7 25
Phelps, Henry B.	53 65	72	
Phipps, D. W.	97 87	13 05	

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NAMES.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Unpaid.
Phillips, W. H. Jr.		21 75	
Phillips, B. E.	5 07		
Pierce, C. H., Heirs of	22 48		22 48
Pierce, George	104 40	1 45	105 85
Pierce, Job A.	2 90		
Pierce, Ira C.	46 40	5 80	52 20
Pierce, John	40 60	1 16	40 60
Pierce, Elizabeth	58 00	1 45	
Pinchon, Moses	20 30	44	10 74
Piper, Samuel N.		72	
Piper, J. Ellery	69 60	2 89	
Pickett, John W.	33 35		
Pittuck, Alfred		1 45	1 45
Plummer, I. C.	101 50		
Pollard, George, Estate of	81 20		81 20
Poole, William	42 05		
Porter, I. C.	36 25		
Preble, Thomas M.	20 30		
Pratt, Jairus	98 60		98 60
Pratt, Mrs.		1 45	
Prentice, A. P.	47 85	2 90	50 75
Price, William	54 08	2 90	
Price, Susan H.	37 70		
Preston, A. D.	36 25		
Proyonshee, Abraham W.	110 20	2 90	47 85
Pray, J. F.		1 45	
Putman, S. C.	87 00	56 55	
Q			
Quigley, Mary J.	2 90		
Quimby, Joseph B.	50 75		
R			
Radell, Ellery	21 75		
Radford, B. F.	227 65	44 75	
Raeder, Henry	95 70	4 35	100 05
Raymond, L. D.	29 00	4 35	33 35
Raynes, Horatio G.	94 25	1 45	
Raynes, John J.	110 92	9 42	120 34
Reed, Edwin	66 70		66 70
Reynolds, S. H.	47 85	2 18	
Rhodes, C. H.	56 55		
Rice, Norman	43 50		43 50
Rich, Henry A.	68 88		
Rich, Andrew J.	24 65		24 65
Richardson, A. M.		2 90	
Richardson, A. H.	50 75	6 23	56 98
Richardson, George L.	66 70	44 95	
Risk, Thomas H.	33 35		
Riley, Joseph	5 80		
Roberts, Edward	65 25	72	
Rogers, Annie L.	40 60		
Rogers, William, Estate of	63 80	1 45	
Rogers, John A., Estate of	107 30		107 30
Rogers, Michael	29 73		
Rollins, Mrs. R. T.	43 50		
Ross, John F.		2 17	
Routley, Henry		2 90	
Rooney, Patrick J.	32 62	44	33 06
Rooney, Patrick	111 65	7 69	119 34
Rooney, Rose		2 90	2 90
Rooney, Thomas	26 10	1 45	27 55
Rouillard, Edwin R.	29 00		
Roundy & Fields	42 05		
Runnells, L. A.	40 60	2 90	

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NAMES.	Real Estate.	Per- sonal.	Unpaid.
Russell, Sarah J.		14 50	14 40
Russell, Ellen H.	21 75		
Russell, Ann	21 75		
Ryan, Isaac L.		8 70	
Ryder, Calvin	84 10	18 85	
S			
Sanford, George	34 07	2 90	
Samuels, Isaac B.		2 90	
Sanford & Runnells		34 80	
Sawyer, W. H.	43 50		
Savage, E. D.	87 00	34 80	
Savage, James F.	5 80		5 80
Saville, Josiah, Estate of	40 60	2 90	
Sawtell, Mary M.	29 00		
Sawtell, George W.	3 90		
Sawyer, Edwin A.	42 05	2 90	
Schell, Mrs. E. A.	49 30		
Schofield, Hannah	28 28		
Schofield, W. J.	39 15		39 15
Scott, N. W.	27 55		
Scott, Robert	108 75		108 75
Scott, William	42 05	2 90	44 95
Shea, Cornelius		1 88	
Shea, Edward	7 25		7 25
Shea, Mrs. Annie	34 80		
Shea, William		2 90	2 90
Shaw, William	30 45		
Sheedy, Daniel		5 95	
Shattuck, James		1 45	1 45
Shepard, N. F.	38 42		
Shepard, Sarah B.	131 85		134 85
Sherman, Mary A.	44 95		
Silver, George, Estate of	10 15		
Simmons, James	40 60		
Simmons, George W.		1 45	
Small, Frank A.	44 95	2 90	47 85
Smith, Annette C.	39 15		39 15
Smith, Honora	31 90		
Smith, J. C.	5 07	2 90	7 97
Smith, Mary A.	42 05		42 05
Smith, W. A.	34 80		35 89
Smith, W. S.		145 00	
Smith, Henry Hyde		9 42	
Snow, Aaron W.		1 09	
Snow, Albert	27 55		
Soule, John A.	27 55	46 40	
Sparrell, W. P.	66 70	21 75	
Spring, Charles	186 40	2 17	
Spring & Robinson		29 00	
Stearns, C. G.		5 44	
Stack, John	20 30		
Stanley, Miss M. A.		7 25	
Stark, Henry C.	13 05		
Steele, John W.	34 80		
Stevens, J. N.	34 80	4 35	
Stevens, Julia A.	116 00	3 35	120 35
Stocking, George L.	66 70	31 90	
Stockford, H. J.	37 75		
Stone, Basil	20 30		
Stone, Franklin	87 00	2 17	
Stone, Jonas		39 15	9 15
Stone, W. P.	68 88	4 35	
Stuart, W. J.	102 95	44 22	
Steward, Joseph	19 57		
Stratton, T. William		1 45	1 45

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NAMES.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Unpaid.
Sumner, Sallie	885 95	7 25	
Sumner, W. F.	47 85		
Swallow, E. D.	50 75	2 90	
Sweeny, Patrick	33 35		33 35
Sweeny, T. W.	29 72	1 45	
Sweet, L. C.		2 90	2 90
Sweet, L. C., Jr.		8 70	
Sweet, William		1 45	1 45
Swift, E. M.		29 00	
Swift, T. P.	233 45	1 45	216 05
Swinton, William	31 90		
Sykes, Joseph, Estate of	139 20		69 20
Sykes, Louisa M.	17 40		17 40
T			
Taplin, W. H.	44 95	4 35	49 30
Tacy, George	24 65	44	
Taylor, P. H.	39 88		
Terry, John	116 00		
Terry, H. B.		14 50	
Tewksbury, F. W.	36 25		
Tewksbury, Mary C.	44 95		
Tewksbury, Joseph H.		1 45	
Tebbetts, Mark	14 50		
Tebbetts, Ella D.	24 65		
Thayer, George D.	40 60		
Thompson, Mrs. H. A. B.	36 25		36 25
Thompson, Clifton S.	2 90		
Thompson, Harriet	62 35		
Thompson, John R.	44 95	2 17	2 17
Thompson, W. C.	11 60		11 60
Tilden, Edwin	52 20		
Tilly, Emily	18 12	1 45	18 12
Timpenny, Richard	29 00		
Timson & Foster Misses.	17 40		
Timson Susan & Minnie B.		98 60	
Timson, Susan C.	79 75	29 00	
Tirrell, Fred N.	40 60	18 12	
Tirrell, Nathan F.	34 07		
Totman, Lewis Jr.	7 25		
Tower, Harriet L.	45 50	1 45	44 95
Towle, Annie E.	49 30	2 18	51 48
Townsend, George M.	29 00		
Townsend, Isabella	34 80		
Towne, Mary H.	10 87		
Trainor, Elizabeth	10 87		
Tooker, T. D.		2 90	
Tucker, Isaac	81 20		81 20
Tucker, N. H.	243 60	1 45	
Tupper, A. R.	30 45	2 17	2 17
Turell, Elizabeth M.	38 42	4 35	
Tufts, Mary C.	7 25		
Tuttle, Annie B.	60 90	1 88	62 78
Twichell, John M.	53 65	3 63	
Tyler, Caroline O.	39 15		
U			
Underhill, Merrill	47 85		47 85
Utley, R. G., Estate of	50 75	1 45	
V			
Vaughan, C. P.		13 05	
Verry, Frank W.		1 45	
Videto, Rebecca H.	79 39	5 80	85 19

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NAMES.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Unpaid.
Vivian, Ann	29 00		
Vivian, Roxanna	47 85	2 90	50 75
Vose, Benjamin C.	282 02	6 96	
Vose, Sarah and Mary	75 40		
Vose, Mary E.	50 75		
W			
Walker, E. R.	39 15	5 80	
Walker, E. A.	30 45		
Wallace, Richard	15 95		
Warren, Daniel, Heirs of	65 25	42 05	
Warren, George B.		2 18	
Walmsby, Harriet M.	20 30		20 30
Walter, Louisa Y.	101 50	7 25	
Ward, Waldo F.	113 10	2 90	
Watson, Thomas, Jr.	36 25	2 17	
Watson, William A.	27 55		27 55
Washburn, Eliza G.	147 90		
Webster, Amos	201 55	5 80	
Weimer, John	14 50	1 45	
Welch, Michael	8 70		
Wells, B. T.		2 90	
Wellington, C. W. W.	50 02		50 02
Weld, Theodore D.	156 60		
Wescott, Edward	113 10	61 62	
Wheeler, George S.		11 60	11 60
Whicher, Martin L., Heirs of	420 50	14 50	
White, Ann	21 75		
White, Georgiana	36 25	5 80	
White, J. D.	36 25		
White, Joseph H.	84 10	15 60	
White, William		72	72
White, Nancy P.	44 95		
White, Chas. A.		3 62	
Whiteland, Isabella	26 10		
Whittemore, Henry J.		2 90	
Whittemore, Henry	34 80		
Whittemore, F. B.	27 55	1 45	29 00
Whitney, E. A.	29 00	2 90	31 90
Whittier, A. R.	153 70	21 75	175 45
Whittier, Carrie	11 60		11 60
Whittier, N. B.	39 15		
Whiting, Mrs. G. W.		44	
Wiggin, George T.	33 35		
Wigley, John	30 45		
Wilder, Joshua	10 88	5 80	
Willard, Henry L.	4 35	2 90	7 25
Williams, Amanda		5 80	5 80
Williams, Mary M.	34 07		
Williams, Elizabeth P.	33 35		
Williams, Francis C.	46 40	2 17	
Williams, Rinaldo	69 60	2 90	72 50
Williams, John M.	118 90	5 44	
Williams, Phoebe A.	16 67		
Willett, Elizabeth T.	89 90	91 35	
Wiswall, Julia A.	18 12		
Withington, George	39 87		
Wood, E. Frank.	69 60	3 62	
Wood, Joseph	34 80		
Wood, William H.	20 30		
Workingmen's Land Associat'n, Robt. Bleakie, Trustee	200 10		
Wright, Richard	123 25	2 90	
Wright, Eliza H.	42 05		
Wright, W. C.		1 45	
Wyman, H. B.	31 90		31 90

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A				
Adams, Henry S.	Boston	33 35		33 35
Adams, Nancy J.	Winchester	34 80		
Ames, Daniel	Memphis, Tenn.	143 55		143 55
Ames, George H.	Lowell	123 98		10 88
Ambler, Francis, Trustee	Weymouth	349 45		
American Tool & Machine Co.	Boston	311 75	94 25	
Ahlborn, Henry	Boston	56 55		56 55
Allen, Charles H.	Boston	43 50		
Allen, John	Colifornia	5 80		5 80
Atkinson, Robert	Providence, R.I.	31 17		
Alexander, John L.	Boston	43 50		
Armstrong, Annie	Cambridge	14 50		14 50
Austin, David	Readfield, Me.	11 60		11 60
Ayer, Ezra C.	Unionville, Conn.	49 30		
B				
Bailey, A. H.	Somerville	3 26		
Baker, Michael A.	Dartmouth	8 70		
Bancroft, George	Boston	76 85		
Barnard, Henry	Boston	1 45		1 45
Barnard, Mary E.	Boston	26 10		26 10
Barnes, Ward & Co.	Boston	2 17		
Barnwell, John	Valley Falls, R.I.	8 70		
Barry, Laura B.	Brockton	63 80		
Bartlett, Alden	Boston	86 28		86 28
Barton, Hannah	Boston	18 85		18 85
Badger, Thomas H.	Boston	26 10		26 10
Baker, Alice T.	Boston	44 95		
Baldwin, J. Thomas	Boston	9 43		9 43
Bassett, Joseph R.	Boston	139 20		
Barney, George T.	Malden	50 75		
Bell, John	Dedham	4 35		
Beale, Francis	Boston	7 25		7 25
Bishop, John O.	Boston	31 90		31 90
Bishop, Jane	Boston	14 50		
Billings, Warren H.	Walpole	52 20		52 20
Blackie, John	Boston	65 22		
Blake, Sargent, Estate of	Boston	108 75		
Blanchard, Samuel J.	Salem	26 10		26 10
Blaisdell, O. P.	Unknown	37 70		
Blue Hill Land Co.	Boston	1080 25		
Bowles, Ella F.	Boston	8 70		8 70
Bolton, Charles S.	Boston	21 75		21 75
Boyden, E. & G. E.	Worcester	27 55		
Bowen, Hosea	Boston	50 75		
Bolster, C. H.	Boston	21 03		21 03
Boyd, Samuel	Boston		2 17	
Boston & Providence Railroad,	Boston	784 45		
Bradlee, Henry E.	Walpole	73 95		
Bradlee, J. Walter	Milton	23 20		23 20
Bradlee, Catharine C.	Milton	50 75		50 75
Bradbury, Samuel A.	Boston	307 55		
Brewer, Cyrus	Boston	47 85		
Brewer, E. J.	Plymouth	5 80		
Brooks, Annie F.	Boston	68 15		34 80
Brooks, Mrs. S. C.	Boston	23 20		
Brooks & Converse	Boston	37 70		
Brown, Amos	Newton, N.H.	14 50		14 50
Brown, Rebecca	Boston	18 12		18 12
Brown, Francis L.	Canaan, N.H.	29 00		29 00

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Brown, Mary Jane	Boston	33 35		
Brown, F. A.	Newton		2 17	
Bragg, William M.	Boston	71 05		
Bragg, Alonzo W.	Boston	75 40		36 25
Brenner, Christian	Dedham	5 80		5 80
Brackett, F. B.	Boston		1 45	
Brazer, William S.	Boston	29 00		
Burditt, Charles A.	Boston	4 35		4 35
Burgess, Avois	Bedford	6 52		
Burns, G. W.	Milford, N.H. . .	4 35		4 35
Busiel, Lucretia	Boston	37 70		37 70
Butler, Fanny S.	Boston	5 25		
Buchan, Thomas	Chelmsford . . .	2 18		
C				
Capen, Edward N.	Boston	72		
Capen, E. W.	Milton	18 12		
Capen, Samuel J.	Boston	43 50		
Campbell, Frank H.	Boston	66 70		66 70
Carpenter, E. B.	Providence, R.I. .	5 80		
Cannon, William	Boston	8 70		
Carr, J. C.	Portsmouth, N.H.	146 45		
Carr, A. W.	Franklin	42 05		42 05
Cheney, Horace R., Estate of .	Boston	14 50		
Churchill, Asaph	Boston	39 15		39 15
Churchill, J. R.	Boston	40 60		
Churchill, Asaph and J. R. .	Boston	43 50		43 50
Churchill, C. C.	Dedham	8 08		
Chase, Frances A.	Boston	24 65		
Chamberlain, C. E.	Worcester	14 50		
Chamberlain, Charles E. . .	Worcester	34 08		34 08
Chase, Waldo	Dedham	21 03		
Chadbourne, Fanny E. . . .	Boston	11 60		11 60
Cilley & Stimson	Boston	108 75		
Clapp, Elizabeth	Dorchester . . .	7 25		
Clark, Fred O.	No. Brighton . .	8 70		
Clark, Henry	Boston	5 80		
Clisby, Alphonso E.	East Dedham . .	7 25		
Coffin, C. H.	Newburyport . .	168 20		168 20
Coffin, John W.	Cherryfield, Me. .	32 63		
Codman, Henry, Heirs of . .	Boston	5 80		
Coleman, Stedman & Stone . .	Dedham	1 81		
Coleman, George W.	Boston	71 05		
Coleman, Lewis	Boston	5 07		
Colburn, James	Dedham	50 75		
Colby, John F.	Boston	24 65		24 65
Como, Franklin	Newton	3 63		
Comey, Mary, Heirs of . . .	Boston		2 90	
Conway, Hiram	Boston	1 45		1 45
Connolly, Martin J.	Boston	2 17		
Connolly, Eliza	Boston	63 80		
Connell, John	Boston	82 65		82 65
Converse, B. B.	Boston	44 95		
Cook, William	Boston	17 40		
Cook, Lycurgus B.	Belchertown . .	29 00		
Cook, H. P.	Unknown	44 95		
Cothell, John R.	Hingham	32 62		32 62
Cothell, Joan J.	Hingham	3 63		3 63
Costello, W. C.	Somerville . . .	7 25		
Connor, Mary E.	Boston	10 15		10 15
Colburn, Allen	Dedham	65 98		
Colburn, Abner	Skowhegan, Me. .	42 05		42 05
Colburn, Howard	Dedham	23 06		
Colburn, Waldo	Dedham	24 29		
Cole, Charles A.	Scituate	111 65		111 65
Cogswell, Walter C.	Saco Me. . . .	159 50		

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NAMES,	RESIDENCE.	Real Estate.	Per- sonal.	Unpaid.
Cripps, M. A.	Fall River	3 62		3 62
Crumpler, Arthur	Boston	2 90		
Crowell, Edmund	Boston	44 37		
Cutler, F. E.	Newburyport	78 30		42 05
Cummings, Louisa F.	Boston	42 05		42 05
Curtis, James W.	Boston	47 12		
Curtis, George, Heirs of	Nahant	149 35		
Currier, Abby A.	Boston	4 35		
D				
Dalton, John	Framingham	4 35		4 35
Damon, Harriet A.	Somerville	42 05		
Davenport & Foster	Boston	29 00		
Davis, Amanda M.	Boston	2 17		
Denny, H. G., Trustee	Boston	116 00		
Dean, Joseph F., Guardian	Boston	78 30		78 30
Dexter, J. P.	Boston	75 40		
Doe, Edgar J.	Providence, R.I.	49 30		49 30
Doe, Susan	Boston	5 80		
Doane & Murray	Yarmouth, N.S.	72 50		72 50
Dodge, Lydia F.	Dover, N.H.	41 32		
Doherty, Joseph H.	Weymouth	42 05		
Donahue, Patrick	Boston	37 70		
Dorchester, Second Church	Boston	12 33		
Dowd, Catharine	Boston	26 83		
Doyle, Austacia	Boston	24 65		
Downs, W. E.	Greenfield, N.H.	23 26		
Dorchester Savings Bank	Dorchester	52 20		
Dowse, Amos W.	Lowell	155 15		
Draper, Mary A.	Jamaica Plain	33 35		
Drew, John F.	Boston	40 60		40 60
Dunlap, J. C.	Boston	5 80		
Dunlap, Martin	Boston	4 35		
Durell, H. G., Heirs of	Milton	63 80		
E				
Eastman, George A.	Boston	155 80		49 95
Eastman, Josiah S.	Boston	142 09		36 95
Eastman, T. B.	Boston	47 85		
Eaton, William	Boston	17 40		17 40
East Boston Savings Bank	Boston	121 80		
Edson, Nathaniel	Waltham	3 62		
Eldridge, Daniel	Boston	5 80		
Ellis, Fred A.	Washington, D.C.	59 45		
Eldridge & Smith	Boston	31 90		31 90
Emmons, Mary B.	Boston	22 48		
Estabrook, Rufus	Newton	15 95		15 95
Evans, William	Boston	87 60		
Ewins, Margaret	Providence, R. I.	123 25		
F				
Fay, W. H.	Chester	49 30		
Farrington, W. S.	Lawrence	7 25		7 25
Fairbanks, J. A.	Melrose	11 60		
Fairbanks, John R.	Newton	14 50		
Ferry, C. B.	Milton	2 90		
Ferry, Rhoda	Milton	4 35		
Fifield, W.	Boston	5 07		5 07
Finlaw, Michael	Boston	33 35		
Fisher, George, Trustee	Dedham	50 75		
Fisher, Clarissa C.	Roslindale	7 25		
Fiske, Gordon M.	Palmer	42 05		42 05
Fiske, Samuel C.	Boston	66 70		66 70
Fitzpatrick, James	Watertown	2 17		2 17

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Fitzpatrick, William	Watertown	2 17		2 17
Fitts, D. B.	Holliston	53 65		53 65
Flagg, Solomon S.	Littleton	180 53		
Fletcher, J. N.	Concord, N.H. . .	73 95		
Flint, Charles L.	Boston	72 50		
Foster, George E.	Boston	33 35		
Fogg, Roxanna	Danvers	51 38		
Foster, James	Boston	65 25		
Foye, Ada A.	Lynn	13 05		
Frost, Salina	Boston	26 10		26 10
Frye, H. B.	Chelsea	31 90		
French, L. B. & W.	Boston	47 85		47 85
G				
Gallagher, Daniel F.	Boston	8 70		
Gates, Albert, Jr.	Boston	29 00		
Gilman, Charles H.	Boston	58 00		58 00
Giles, Delphina	Waltham	4 35		
Gillingham, Albert	Boston	10 87		
Gilson, John	Webster	7 25		
Giles, A. W.	Detroit, Mich. . .	29 00	1 45	30 45
Giles, Orville	South Weymouth .	33 35		
Gill, Dominick	Boston	4 35		
Glass, James	Boston	91 35		
Glover & Wilcomb	Boston	391 50	201 55	
Glennan, Edward	Unknown	42 05		42 05
Goodwin, Sarah E.	Boston	13 05		13 05
Gould, Simon	Walpole	17 40		17 40
Gould, A. S.	Boston	33 35		
Green, Charles G.	Boston	21 75		
Griffin, Patrick J.	Boston	21 75		
Greenhood, Morris	Dedham	58 10		
Greenlow, J. P.	Maine	20 30		20 30
Gurney, Silas	Boston	13 05		
Gullbrandson, G. & Oldson	Boston	7 25		
H				
Haines, C. O.	Milton		1 81	
Hall, Eliza M.	Milton	10 15		
Hall, George, Estate of	Providence	843 90		
Hale, Sarah F.	Brockton	58 00		
Hapgood, Salome H.	Boston	8 70		8 70
Hapgood, Lyman S.	Boston	26 10		
Hann, Joseph	Boston	14 50		
Hammett, Charles	Medfield	62 35		
Harmon, Benjamin	Springfield	20 30		20 30
Harmon, J. W.	Boston	2 90		2 90
Harney, Thomas	Boston	20 55		
Haraden, E. G.	Boston	7 25		
Harrison, Larkin A.	Boston	1 45		
Hartwell, W. H.	Littleton	20 30		20 30
Hartwell & Jetts	Littleton	58 00		58 00
Hazeltine, W. B.	Brookline	76 85		
Haskell, B. B.	Willimantic, Conn.	20 30		20 30
Haven, A. S.	Boston	17 40		17 40
Hatton, Frank E.	Pembroke	39 15		
Hayward, Henry	Boston		2 17	2 17
Hayden, Michael	Dedham	85 55		
Hayden, Henry C.	Boston	44 95		
Harrington, Abigail P.	Boston	38 42		38 42
Henshaw, P. H.	Boston	40 60		
Henstis, Warren	Belmont	47 85		47 85
Higgins, Solomon R.	Boston	42 05		42 05
Hodges, Samuel	Unknown		1 45	1 45
Hodges, Gamaliel	Boston	43 50		

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Hollingsworth, Z. T.	Milton	456 03		
Holmes, R. G.	Boston	43 50		
Homer, Rebecca T.	Boston	43 50		
Hoxie, Timothy W.	Boston	143 55		
Hogan, John J.	Cambridge	39 15		
Holt, Daniel S.	Boston	33 35		
Hubbard, W. H.	Boston	2 13		
Hubbard, Charles	Boston	39 15		
Hutchinson, Eliza	Boston	37 70		
Humphrey, James	Weymouth	142 10		
Hunt, Lucien	Falmouth	13 04		
Hutchins, Joseph B.	Boston	1 35		4 35
Husted, J. B.	Watertown	50 75		
Hyde, H. P.	Boston	36 25		
Hyde, Robinson & Child, Trustees	Boston	30 45		30 45
Hyde Park Woolen Co.	Boston	1199 88	145 00	
J				
Jackson, Robert	Boston	2 17		2 17
Jackson, Charles E.	Boston	52 20		
Jenney, Edwin E.	Vermont	33 45		30 45
Jenney, Edwin E.	Vermont	2 90		2 90
Joyce, Patrick J.	Unknown	11 00		11 00
Johnson, R. A.	Saugus	40 60		
Jordan, Matthew	Fall River	36 25		
K				
Kaufman & Josephy	New York City	46 40		
Karcher, Michael	Dedham	2 90		2 90
Keen, Nahum	Dedham	4 35		
Kelly, George W.	Washington, D.C.	5 80		5 80
Kelly, James	Boston	2 90		2 90
Kelly, Thomas	Boston	27 55		
Kelly, William	Lowell	23 20		
Kelly, Mary A.	Newton	20 30		
Kelly & Kimball, Trustees	Boston		121 80	
Kingman, K. P.	Brockton	43 50		
Kingman, Maria L.	Unknown	39 15		
King, Samuel H.	Monmouth, Me.	20 50		
Kingsley, J. G.	Boston	2 17		
Kingsbury, John F.	Boston	15 95		
L				
Lane, Frank A.	Valisca, Iowa	63 07		63 07
Lane, Peter	Boston	7 25		
Lawrence, Marianna P.	Boston	69 60		69 60
Lawrence, Catharine	Boston	34 80		
Lang, Benjamin J.	Boston	27 55		
Leary, Mrs. Cornelius	Brighthon	15 22		15 22
Leverett, George B.	Boston	43 50		
Lewis, J. C.	Holyoke	58 00		58 00
Lewis, Isaac	Boston	24 65		
Lewis, Albert B.	Coventry, R.I.	49 30		
Leonard, William	Boston	33 35		
Leach, Ellen P. and Sarah F.	Boston	53 65		
Littlefield, John H.	Boston	17 40		
Littlefield, Julia F.	Boston	5 80		
Litch, James P.	Malden	20 30		
Libby, C. W.	Boston	20 30		
Loomis, Sarah H.	Chelsea	39 88		30 88
Lodge, Adam	Boston	18 85		
Lovell, John P.	Boston	49 30		
Lowe, William W.	Unknown	23 20		23 20
Lond, Emily V.	Weymouth	107 30		

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Loud, J. W., Estate of	Weymouth	94 25		
Loud, Martha B.	Weymouth	84 10		
Lord, O. M.	Lunenburg	21 75		
Locke, William	Somerville	17 40		
Lombard, Annie J.	Boston	52 20		
Lyford, Thomas J.	Boston	11 60		
Lyford, Byley	Boston	43 50		
M				
Mahoney, John	Boston	11 60		
Mahoney, John	Boston	18 85		
Mann, Alexander	Boston	14 50		
Mann, H. C.	Boston	216 05		
Marshall, J. H.	Boston	4 35		
Madigan, Ellen J.	Boston	44 95		
Mayo, Mrs. E. S.	New York	39 15		
Mayo, C. H.	Wellesley	73 95		73 95
Manning, W. F.	Boston	5 07		5 07
Maxim, Jane	Brooklyn, N.Y. . .	10 15		10 15
Matthews, Franz	Boston	36 25		
McCallum, James	Jamaica Plain . . .	4 35		
McClaffee, Ann	St. Louis, Mo. . . .	4 00		4 00
McCormick, Thomas	Boston	153 70		
McDowell, Jane	Boston	2 17		2 17
McDonald, John	Boston	3 62		3 62
McElroy, John W.	Boston	4 35		4 35
McLaughlin, Daniel	Boston	2 17		
McLeod, John	Boston	4 35		4 35
McNally, Ann	Jamaica Plain . . .	7 25		
Mead, Albert	Boston	36 25		
Merriam, Francis P.	Boston	36 25		36 25
Mechanics' Savings Bank	Boston	121 80		26 10
Merrill, William	Boston	5 80		
Melladeu, George	Boston	13 05		
Mercantile Savings Institution	Boston	328 28		
Merriam & Philbrook	Boston	46 40		
Merrill, Joshua	Boston	72 50		
Meserve, Sarah W.	Canton	52 20		
Meister, G. A.	Amesbury	20 30		20 30
Metropolitan Land Co.	Boston	145 00		
Miller, Amos H.	Boston	3 62		
Mills, James C.	Boston	4 35		
Monigan, John	Perryville	1 45		1 45
Moor, John W.	Boston	2 18		
Moody, Frelinghuysen	Boston	4 35		
Morse, Bushrod	Boston	203 00		203 00
Morse, Leonard	Milton	92 08		
Morse, E. J. W.	South Easton	5 80		
Morse, Luther, Estate of	Dedham	72		
Morton, Joseph, Estate of	Milton	43 50		
Moseley, T. W. H.	Scranton, Pa. . . .	79 75		
Moylan, Michael	Milton	2 90		2 90
Moyle, John	Canton	46 40		46 40
Morgan, Sarah E.	Boston	20 30		20 30
Mouroe, C. W.	East Cambridge . .	14 50		
Monroe, Joshua, Jr.	Boston	92 80		
Mullen, John	Jamaica Plain . . .	2 90		
Mullen, Robert	Boston	2 17		
Mungan, Margaret	Lowell	75 40		
Munson, N. C.	Shirley	29 00		
Murphy, Thomas	Dedham	8 70		
Muzzey, D. W.	Lexington	37 70		
N				
Neal, Alonzo F.	Boston	49 30		

NON-RESIDENT TAX-PAYERS — (Continued.)

NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Unpaid.
New England Iron Co.	Boston	210 25	43 50	
New York & New England R.R. Co.	Boston	233 43		
Newhall, Horatio	Boston	2 90		2 90
Nolan, James	Boston	4 35		
Nolan, J. F.	Dedham	7 25		7 25
Norling, Franz E.	Boston	34 80		34 80
Norwood, Lucy C.	Lynn	5 80		5 80
Northern Bapt. Educational Sy.	Boston	10 87		
O				
Obrey, Madison	Boston	52 92		
Osgood, John C.	Salem	66 70		
P				
Page, Charles J.	Boston	29 00		
Parker, Newman A.	Boston	11 60		11 60
Palmer, Susan A.	Boston	28 27		
Parker, Benj. W.	Boston	63 80		
Parker, George J., Estate of	Boston	8 70		
Parker, Mrs. M. W.	West Dedham	2 17		
Park, H. F.	Boston	3 26		
Pattee, Thomas E.	Boston	20 30		
Pattee, W. S.	Boston	3 63		3 63
Patterson, George C.	Boston	2 17		
Paul, Ebenezer	Dedham	13 05		
Paul, J. F.	Boston	56 55		
Partridge, Mrs. H. S.	Newport, Ky.	98 60		98 60
Perry, Solon	Leominster	58 00		
Perry, Baxter E.	Medford	32 62		32 62
Peck, Phoebe W.	Somerville	19 58		
Perkins, Hiram	Mount Vernon, N.H.	18 13		18 13
Peterson, Orlena	Boston	42 05		
People's Ice Co.	Boston	79 75		
Piaff, William	Boston	46 40		46 40
Pierce, J.	Boston	2 18		2 18
Pierce, John	Boston	102 95		
Preston, T. B.	Unknown	49 30		49 30
Pratt, Edmund T.	Boston	153 70		
Pratt, Laban	Boston	18 85		
Pratt, Isaac, Jr.	Boston	195 75		
Prescott, Mrs. S. E.	Goose Creek, N.B.	55 10		
Pulsifer, R. M.	Boston	59 45		59 45
Q				
Quincy Savings Bank	Quincy	603 20		
R				
Ranlett, D. D.	St. Albans, Vt.	46 40		
Ray, M. L.	Melrose	2 17		2 17
Ray, Ellen F.	Woburn	10 15		10 15
Ray, Margaret	Unknown	27 55		
Radwin, C. & J. A.	Cliftondale	49 30		
Ranger, Susan	Boston	2 90		
Reed, Charles	Philadelphia	44 95		
Reed, Hammond	North Brookfield	58 00		
Reed & Richards	Boston	29 00		
Reed, Samuel G.	Boston	7 25		
Reedton, Peter, Estate of	Boston	29 00		
Real Estate & Building Co.	Boston	2579 65		2579 65
Rhodes, A. H.	Boston	43 50		
Richardson, Thomas H.	Mount Vernon, N.H.	26 10		
Richardson, Thomas H.	Boston	37 70		37 70
Richardson, Lucretia T.	Boston	1 45		

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NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Unpaid.
Richardson, Wm. M., Estate of	Boston . .	65 97		
Richards, Austin S. . .	Danvers . .	11 60		
Richards, Joseph R. . .	Cambridge . .	26 10		
Richards, Daniel . . .	Danvers . .	18 85		
Richards, George E. . .	Boston . .	29 00		
Richards, L. Luther . . .	Brockton . .	11 60		
Richards, Renben A. . .	Milton . .	453 85		
Richards, W. B. . . .	Boston . .	349 45		
Rich, Lathely, Estate of .	Watertown . .	43 50		
Rich, R. K.	Boston . .	75 40		
Ridgway, Edwin W. . .	Boston . .	52 20		
Rowe, Samuel W. . . .	Boston . .	49 30		
Rowe Brothers	Boston . .	2 17		
Rollins, James W. . . .	Boston . .	258 10		252 30
Rollins, James M. . . .	Cambridgeport .	21 75		
Robinson, Frank F. . .	New York City .	91 35		
Robinson, Benjamin F. .	St. Albans, Vt. .	65 25		
Robinson, Martha A. . .	Boston . .	28 28		
Roberts, D. S. . . .	Boston . .	5 80		5 80
S				
Safford, Aaron H. . . .	Cambridge . .	224 75		
Safford, N. F.	Boston . .	34 80		
Sahline, David H. . . .	New York City .	29 00		
Saco & Biddellord Savings Bank	Saco, Me. . . .	472 70		
Saulsbury, Jotham . . .	Weymouth . .	69 60		
Samuels, Sarah B. . . .	Boston . .	43 50		
Scaife, Lauriston . . .	Boston . .	11 60		
Schlesinger, Sebastian B.	Boston . .	63 80		
Scott, E. A.	Boston . .	59 45		59 45
Sears, B. F.	Boston . .	40 60		40 60
Sears, Eben., Trustee . .	Boston . .	145 00		
Sears, Johannah . . .	Boston . .	55 10		
Seaver, Jacob W. . . .	Boston . .	10 87		
Sharp, J. C.	Boston . .	2 90		
Shaw, Joseph P. . . .	Boston . .	4 35		4 34
Shaw, Thomas	Boston . .	43 50		43 50
Shaw, C. C.	Palmer . .	94 25		
Shaw, Lydia A.	Boston . .	36 25		
Shattuck, Milo H. . . .	Groton . .	14 50		14 50
Shute, James M. . . .	Boston . .	145 00		
Simmons, Mrs. E. P. . .	West Newton . .	7 25		
Smith, Charles F. . . .	Boston . .	21 75		
Smith, J. N.	Boston . .	17 40		
Smith, John	Boston . .	4 35		4 35
Smith, O. A.	Newton Centre .	5 80		
Smith, George M. . . .	Medfield . .	36 25		
Smithfield Manufacturing Co. .	Providence, R.I. .	1270 92	1232 50	
Sniallage, Andrew J. . .	Boston . .	3 62		
Snyder, C. B.	Boston . .	43 50		
Sneader, Edmund A. . .	Unknown . .	33 35		
Southworth, Mason S. . .	Wakefield . .	101 50		
Spaulding, Renben . . .	Worcester . .	21 75		
Springfield, Nathaniel . .	Boston . .	4 35		
Straw, John B.	Lewiston, Me. . .	58 00		58 00
Stanwood, H. P. . . .	Boston . .	39 15		
Stedman, Daniel B. . .	Boston . .	52 20		
Stark, Mary	New Vineyard, Me.	97 15		
Stevens, Elizabeth . . .	Boston . .	377 00		
Stevens, Elizabeth W. . .	Boston . .	129 05		129 05
Stevenson, Charles E. . .	Boston . .	36 25		
Stevenson, Mary F. . . .	Boston . .	1 45		
Storey, J. C.	Boston . .	34 80		
Stoddard, Richard . . .	Rockland . .	55 10		
Stoddard, Hannah W. . .	Unknown . .	36 25		
Stone, Jenny G.	Germany . .	21 75		

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NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Unpaid.
Stone, A. J.	Cambridge	123 25		
Stone, Mary A.	Lynn	21 75		21 75
Sullivan, Margaret	Boston	3 62		
T				
Taft, Samuel	Holliston	71 05		
Talbot, Miss M. B.	Boston	4 35		
Taylor, John B.	Cambridge	53 65		
Tapley, Gilbert	Unknown	20 30		
Tewksbury, Robert H.	Lawrence	2 90		
Thorndike, Sarah W.	Boston	57 27		
Thorndike, James	Boston	21 75		
Thompson, Charles, Estate of	Boston	50 75		
Thompson, Asa	Mattapan	120 35		
Tirrell, George W.	Boston	7 25		
Tileston & Hollingsworth	Boston	445 15	725 00	7 25
Towne, W. J.	Newton	83 90		
Towne, Isaac H.	Boston	58 00		
Torrey, Francis	Boston	34 08		
Townsend, Eliza	Saugus	7 25		
Tolman, Nathaniel	Boston	63 80		63 80
Tobey, Susan H.	Athol	16 67		
Tobey, J. J.	Boston	5 80		
Todd, Robert M.	Milton	52 20		
Trow, Thomas F.	Hudson	21 75		
Trescott, Ebenezer, Estate of	Bangor, Me.	1 45		1 45
Tucker, Mary T.	Milton	34 80		
Tucker, Gilman H.	Boston	33 35		33 35
Tucker, James	Milton	29 00		
Tucker, Mrs. Timothy	Milton	23 20		
Tucker, Nathan, Estate of	Milton	20 00		
Tucker, Dana, Estate of	Milton	116 00		
Tucker, Elijah	Milton	65 25		
Turner, R. W.	Boston	439 35		439 35
Turner, John J.	Boston	5 80		
Turner, C. W.	Boston	4 35		4 35
Turner, Mary H.	Boston	72 50		72 50
Twombly, Albert T.	Milton	75 40		
U				
Utley, Joseph	Boston	2 90		
Union Institution for Savings	Boston	110 20		
V				
Vanderlip, W. C.	Boston	72 50		
Ventres, W. H. II.	Hudson	43 50		
Vose, —, Heirs of	Milton	43 50		
Vose, Joshua	Milton	58 00		
Vose, John	Milton	31 90		
W				
Wadsworth, William	Boston	65 25		
Wainwright, John	Brooklyn, N.Y.	52 20		52 20
Wakefield, Enoch H.	Cambridge	101 50		7 25
Walters, E. P.	Boston	33 35		
Waldron, Charles F.	Chelsea	8 70		
Wellyn, Martin J.	Boston	2 17		2 17
Weston, Seth	Revere	34 80		
Weston, Ellen	Revere	43 50		
Weeman, William E., Estate of	Boston	5 80		5 80
Weller, Annie E.	Boston	4 35		4 35
Webster, John G.	Boston	87 00		
Wetherell, Abigail B.	Newton, Upr. Falls	34 80		

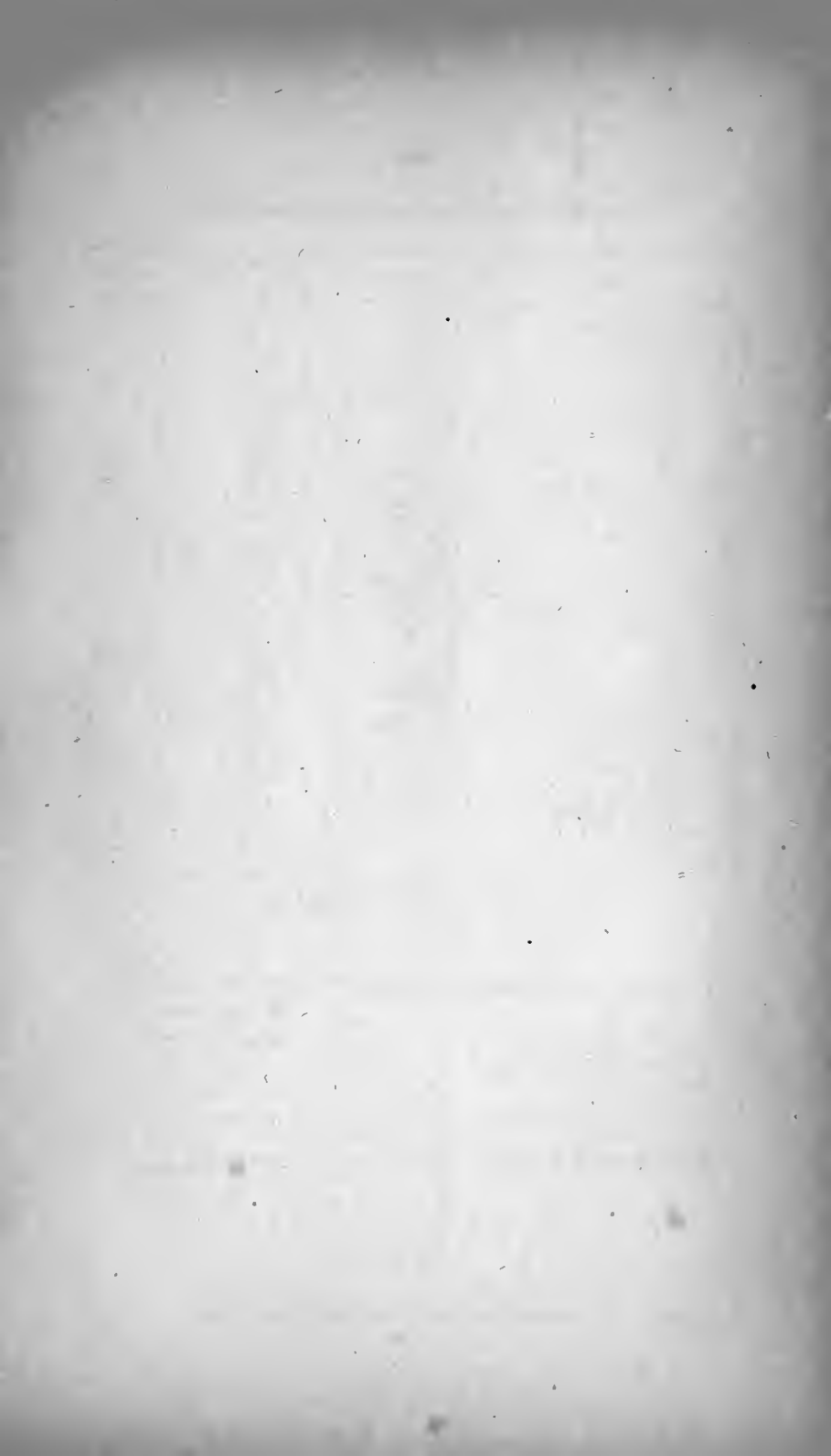
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NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Unpaid.
Wellington, Henry W.	Boston	198 65		
Weldon, John A.	Boston	29 00		
Weld, Aaron D.	Boston	2 18		
White, Emeline	Dedham	21 75		
White, E. P.	New York City	5 80		5 80
White, Amos S.	Weymouth	24 65		
White, Benj. F., Heirs of	Boston	159 50		
White, George H.	Boston	11 60		
White, Howard	Boston	4 35		
White, James C.	Boston	185 60		121 80
White, C. H.	Weymouth	85 55		85 55
White & Richards, Trustees	Boston	377 00		377 00
Whittington, Alfred	Cohasset	14 50		
Whitney, A. H.	Mattapan	10 15		
Whitehead, Joseph	Saugus	8 70		
Whiting, Joseph	Dedham	2 90		
Whiting, Alvan	Clinton	5 80		
Willard, Huldah	Newton	58 00		58 00
Wilde, Joseph	Amesbury	10 15		
Williams, John J., Archbishop	Boston	168 92		
Wiley, Nellie M.	Boston	41 95		
Winch Brothers	Boston	71 05		
Wise, Henry	Boston	2 90		
Wilder, Hannah	Enfield	49 30		2 90 49 30
Wilkins, E. J.	Boston	2 18		
Winchman, Charles	Dedham	12 76		
Wiswall, Annie L.	Boston	30 45		
Woodward, James H.	Cambridge	13 05		
Woodward, Maria L.	Attleboro'	40 60		
Woodward & Brown	Boston	17 40		
Worthington, Gad	Cleveland, Ohio	41 32		41 32
Wood, William	Maynard	15 95		
Wood, William	Brookline	5 80		5 80
Woods, Geo. M. Estate of	Boston	21 75		
Wogan, John T.	Boston	29 00		
Wright, Isaac L.	Boston	8 70		
Wright, A. W.	Boston	404 55		404 55

VALUATION OF PROPERTY EXEMPTED FROM TAXATION.

Baptist Church.....	\$30,000 00
Christ Church (Episcopal).....	19 500 00
First Congregational Church.....	26,500 00
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	26,500 00
Roman Catholic Church....	6,462 00
Second Congregational Church (Unitarian)	12,300 00
Harvard College.....	450 00
Norfolk Agricultural Society.....	12,000 00
	<hr/> \$133,712 00

 Rate of taxation for 1877, \$14.50 per thousand.



REPORT

OF

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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E. M. LANCASTER, *Chairman.*

W. H. H. ANDREWS, *Secretary.*

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REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

THE GENERAL CONDITION OF THE SCHOOLS.

In discharge of the duty devolving upon them, your Committee herewith present their Annual Report.

It may be said that, in school matters in general, the year now drawing to a close has been one of unexampled prosperity. It has been marked by comparatively few changes, and has passed without the occurrence of anything specially exciting. The amended course of study—the excellent old one with such modifications and improvements as experience had shown to be needful—is working satisfactorily. There have been harmony in the consultations of the Board of School Committee, and a cheerful co-operation of one member with another in devising and putting into operation measures for the government of the schools. The teachers have been faithful and zealous in the performance of their duties. They have exhibited skill in their methods of instruction, and tact and judgment in the government of pupils. They have shown the ability not only to maintain the schools in the high position to which they had attained, but to advance them to a still higher standard of excellence. That our school machinery has, during the year, run noiselessly and almost without friction, is an indication to your Committee—however it may seem to unthinking observers who measure the amount and rapidity of motion by the attendant jar and jostle—of the better adjustment and more harmonious working of its various parts.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PERMANENT TEACHERS IN A SYSTEM OF GRADED SCHOOLS.

Your Committee attribute much of the success of the year

to the fact that many of the teachers have been long in the service of the town, and, in addition to a better understanding of its educational system, they have shown that greater skill and more matured judgment which naturally come from a larger experience.

Your Committee have been impressed more than ever before with the importance, in such a system as ours, of a permanent and experienced corps of teachers. There is an immense difference, in this respect, between the old ungraded and the new graded system of public schools. In the former each school and term was, in a sense, complete in itself. A change of teachers from one term to another did not necessarily involve a very serious interruption in its progress. But in a system of graded schools, in which one part is preparatory to another, and in which, in consequence, the successful working of one part is dependent upon the proper working of another, a thorough acquaintance with the details of that system, as well as general experience on the part of the teachers who directly administer it, becomes a matter of the first importance.

There are those, even among intelligent men, who affect to believe that the school system of to-day is not equal to that of the fathers. They point to certain eminent men who received their education in the mixed ungraded schools of the olden time as conclusive arguments in favor of the superiority of those schools. As if the schools of to-day had ceased to produce eminent men! or as if eminent men were wholly the creatures of circumstance! The fact is, inborn genius or greatness always has asserted itself and always will, with good schools, or poor schools, or no schools. If men have risen to eminence under unfavorable circumstances, they have done so not by virtue of but in spite of their disadvantages. It is proverbially characteristic of a certain cast of conservative minds to look with favor upon anything that has the stamp of antiquity upon it, and with a corresponding disfavor upon everything that is new or modern. Under the old system the teachers' time and interest were chiefly de-

voted to the brilliant few who needed them least, to the neglect of the moderate many who needed them most. If the principle of the "greatest good to the greatest number" applies to educational as well as political systems, then the schools of to-day, in which all the children have the same and equal advantages, are superior to those of the past.

CHANGES IN THE CORPS OF TEACHERS.

But few changes have been made in the corps of teachers during the year. In the High School the second assistant, Miss Parsons, did not present herself for re-election. Your Committee were able to secure the services of Miss Sarah L. Miner, whose return to the position she once held in the High School with so much credit to herself, has, they believe, given great satisfaction both to pupils and to parents. Miss Miner's studies in the higher departments of learning since her first term of service, having graduated from the Boston University, have given her exceptional qualifications for the peculiar requirements of High School work.

The High School at the present time is well equipped, and is performing its part in our educational scheme in a most satisfactory manner. The teachers are thorough and enthusiastic, and a most excellent spirit pervades the whole school, manifesting itself in an improved deportment as well as increased interest in the performance of school work.

During the summer vacation Mr. George M. Fellows, who had been connected in one capacity and another with the schools of Hyde Park ever since its incorporation as a town and who was universally esteemed as a pains-taking and successful teacher, resigned to take an Ushership in a Boston school. His place in the Grew School was filled by the appointment of Mr. F. H. Dean, who came with a good record from a graded school in Putnam, Ct. The advent of a new master is always a critical period in the history of a school, but Mr. Dean has acquitted himself with great credit in the performance of the duties of his new position. Although

calm and dispassionate in disposition, he is an enthusiastic instructor and a strict disciplinarian. Your Committee are particularly pleased with the vigilance and fidelity Mr. Dean has exhibited in attending to the minutest details of his work, and in his efforts to improve the manners and morals of his pupils out of school as well as in.

Of the other principals of our schools it seems almost needless to speak, so well and favorably are they known to our citizens. They are men of solid worth as well as capable school managers, and their continuance in our service at the reduced salaries which we pay them, can only be accounted for by the continuance of "hard times."

In the Blake school, which has suffered more than any other by a change of teachers, Miss Pratt was compelled by continued illness to resign, and Miss C. F. Howard, a well-qualified and experienced teacher from Franklin, was selected to fill the vacancy. Miss Belle Roper, one of the very best teachers of this school, has been recently called to a school in the city, and her place temporarily filled by the appointment of Miss Howe, of Holden.

DISTRICT LINES.

During the early part of the year the attention of your Committee was called to the fact that many children were attending school out of their own districts. An investigation disclosed the fact that the district lines were becoming practically obliterated. In one school, the Grew, there were found to be about seventy-five scholars belonging to other districts. This irregularity arose, in part, from the failure of parents moving from one district to another to change the schools of their children ; in part, from the fact that new comers, ignorant of district lines, had sent their children to the nearest school, naturally supposing that to be the right one ; and, in part, from the fact that many parents sent their children to the most convenient school, fully conscious that it was not their own. An order was passed requiring the masters to

discharge all scholars belonging to other districts. Chairmen of districts were, however, empowered to make exceptions in favor of little children, so as to allow them to attend the most convenient school. Special exception was also made in favor of those living on certain streets in the Sunnyside district, who seemed specially inconvenienced by the order.

Your Committee have given this subject considerable attention, with a view to re-arrange the district lines. These lines form a curious and interesting feature of our school system. They were evidently run to make an even distribution of pupils to the different school buildings. In organizing its schools the town began at the wrong end. It misplaced the school buildings,—probably to meet its prospective wants,—compelling the Committee to draw unnatural district lines to suit the misplaced buildings, and the people to send their children to school to suit the misplaced lines; that is, the people were compelled to accommodate themselves to the buildings which were not located to accommodate them. On the one side children living within sound of the Grew gong are compelled to cross a river and a railroad, both dangerous, to attend the Blake school, or a still more dangerous railroad to the Damon; on the other, children are compelled to go almost from the centre of the town, where the sidewalks are good and safe at all seasons, over bad roads to an unsettled region where the Greenwood awaits in dreary solitude the coming of a distant posterity. Your Committee have brought this matter forward for the purpose of making a recommendation, which will be a remedy for the inconveniences arising from the present district lines. That recommendation is that the hall of the Grew building be remodeled so as to furnish two school rooms and a hall. Should the town decide to make the change here suggested, your Committee can see their way clear to so re-arrange the district lines as to better accommodate the people. The river and railroad can be made the boundary line between the Blake and other districts. Children living near the centre of the town, but attending the Blake or Greenwood schools, can then be

assigned to the Grew, and those living on Central Park Avenue, in the vicinity of the woolen mill, now attending the Blake or Damon schools, can also be assigned to the Grew. Such an arrangement of rooms as is here suggested is very common in modern buildings. The halls in all our school-houses are a sheer waste of room, being too large for any practical purpose.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

In accordance with a vote of the town authorizing the establishment of evening schools, and appropriating money therefor, your Committee early in October opened such schools in the Grew and Damon buildings, Mr. H. F. Dean being placed in charge of the former, and Mr. W. C. Kellogg of the latter. Although ample notice was given in the local paper of the opening of these schools, the attendance has not been as large as in former years. The whole number attending the Grew was 18, with an average attendance of 10 2-3 ; the number in the Damon 46, with an average attendance of 16 1-2. It seemed advisable that there should be some rule in regard to the number of pupils requisite for the continuance of a school, and an average attendance for a month of 10 pupils was fixed upon. The Grew school fell below that average after a nine weeks' term, and was accordingly closed. The whole number at the present time in the Damon school is 24, all but two of these being in ordinary times factory operatives. A standing rule of the Board forbids the members of day schools attending the evening schools. After the closing of the factory at Readville, many of the operatives desired to attend both day and evening schools. It seemed unwise to your Committee to limit school advantages to those temporarily and providentially thrown out of employment, and the rule referred to above was suspended in their behalf. Many of the pupils of this school have left town to seek employment, which explains the present reduced number. Unusual interest has been taken this year by the pupils in both evening schools. Mr. Kellogg reports " that

the deportment of the pupils in his school has been equal to that which has prevailed in any day school he has ever taught," and "that nowhere has he observed a more eager desire for self-improvement." Your Committee were happy to comply with Mr. Kellogg's request to be allowed to close his school with a literary exhibition. This will take place on the evening of the 22d of March.

SCHOOL GOVERNMENT.

The subject of school government has long agitated the public mind. The result of this agitation has been a rapid growth, in nearly all our communities, of a public sentiment more or less unfavorable to the harsher methods of government. It is, we believe, a sign of an advancing civilization. We have but to contrast the methods of discipline in vogue under the old *regime* of school management with those generally prevalent at the present time, to be abundantly assured of this fact. Under the old, corporal punishment in some form or other, sometimes with weapons as dangerous as a policeman's billy, and sometimes in forms of physical torture, more exquisite than that of blows, was the almost unvarying means of government. And it was used not only to secure order, and enforce obedience to school regulations, but to stimulate intellectual activity. In the country especially, in many parts of New England, as many of our citizens will remember as they recall the days of their boyhood, the school room, at the beginning of every new term, became the arena of an inevitable struggle between the "big boys" and the "new master" as to who "should hold the fort," while parents and committee looked complacently on, awaiting the issue of this muscular contest. If the master lost the battle he was pronounced inefficient, and a man of more grit and better muscle was hunted up to take his place.

Nothing but a low state of public sentiment on the subject of school management made such a state of things possible. With the dissemination of more enlightened views on the

legitimate objects for which the public school was instituted, and the means best adapted for their accomplishment, a change began to take place in the public mind. Corporal punishment as it was then conducted, that had been regarded by parents, committees and teachers as the never failing panacea for all the ills the school-room is heir to, began to be regarded as a very defective remedy. It was at last seen to be what it was and is, an appeal to the lowest motive that can actuate rational beings to do right, the fear or the suffering of physical pain. Public opinion, starting at the one extreme of this question, began to swing rapidly towards the other. The number of those opposed to every species of corporal punishment in the public schools has increased in every community. Committees have discussed the feasibility of its entire abolition. In some places it has been dispensed with, as a matter of experiment, but with results so unfavorable or doubtful as to lead to a new discussion in favor of its restoration.

We do not believe there is an intelligent educator in New England who would, for a moment, defend the system under which the rod was the chief instrument of school government. We believe that, on this question, teachers have kept fully abreast, in theory and practice, not of extremists, but of thoughtful people, whose opinions constitute what we call public sentiment. Great injustice has been done to them, first, on account of the reckless course of a few of their own number, who, although unable to govern their own tempers and so their own actions, yet attempt the responsible work of training the young, and disgrace themselves and their profession by acts of downright brutality ; and, second, by false or exaggerated reports of brutality, which, beginning in ignorance or malice, are heralded over the country, through the medium of the public press, keeping the people in a state of chronic excitement, and creating a public sentiment on the subject of school discipline not at all justified by the facts. Tardy investigation reveals the falsity of the reports, but too late to undo the mischief which they have wrought.

Now, if this mode of discipline is wrong in itself, it should be everywhere discarded, at once and forever. It is but a means to an end ; and if it will not accomplish the end in view, then it should be abolished at once and for good.

The public school is an institution of the State. It originated and continues to exist only through legislative enactment. Its primary object is to educate the young to become good and useful citizens. The welfare of the State then lies at the basis of the public school. That means a great deal. The welfare of the State depends upon the intelligence and material prosperity of the people. It means the storing of the minds of the young with useful knowledge and their education to practical business habits. The welfare of the State depends upon the virtue of the people. It means the cultivation in the young of the principles of honesty, integrity, and personal purity. The welfare of the State depends upon the loyalty of the people to settled principles of government. It means the training of the young to respect for law and a ready submission to constituted authority. The public school, then, is the nursery of the State. It is no exaggeration to say that the teacher in preparing the young for the duties and responsibilities of the future performs a work second to no other in moulding the destinies of the Republic. He takes a very narrow view of his mission who, standing in the teacher's place undertakes nothing in the line of government but to secure a quiet school room, nothing in the line of instruction but the teaching of technical knowledge. A silence like the silence of death may reign among youthful ranks, and every exercise may be conducted with military precision, and a school not have the best government. Nor is he the best instructor who has the most learning or the greatest facility in communicating it. He is the best disciplinarian who awakens in his pupils the disposition and establishes in them the power to govern themselves. And he is the best instructor who kindles in the minds of the young the desire to learn, and who confirms them in the habit of self-application. Above and beyond the mere routine work of the school-room the conscientious teacher will remember—and the

remembrance will give inspiration to his labors—that he is dealing with immortal minds, that he is not merely shaping youthful moods for a passing hour, but moulding deathless character. This is putting the teacher's work upon a high plane, but is it not the correct theory? It is undoubtedly true that the teacher who is the most thoroughly imbued with the grandeur of his mission, will, other things being equal, achieve the best results. Such a teacher will study his pupils, will seek to adapt his methods to their differing dispositions and temperaments, and even to their circumstances and associations. Of necessity he will seek to govern chiefly by moral means. Both reason and experience will teach him to appeal to the better natures of his pupils, and, first of all, to that highest motive that can actuate human beings,—the sense of right.

But however earnest and untiring his efforts in this direction, and however successful in the main, every teacher will learn, sooner or later, that there are pupils in all our public schools who are not amenable to reason, who cannot be restrained from evil and made to do right by moral means alone. If the experience of the past is worth anything, so long as many of the young are not governed or are misgoverned at home, so long as the corrupting lessons of the evening street schools undo the best work of the day schools, so long as children inherit from depraved and vicious parents proclivities which will almost inevitably develop into mischievous habits, if not a wicked life, so long will moral means alone fail to wholly accomplish the object for which he labors.

A certain degree of school room order, and an unquestioning obedience on the part of the pupil, are essential to a good school. While we concede that the teacher should secure these, if possible, by moral means or the more agreeable modes of punishment, rather than fail he should appeal to the lower motives and to any proper methods of discipline, however uninviting. To be specific, and give an illustration that can be found in almost any public school. When a teacher

cannot awaken in the mind of a malicious and troublesome boy a *sense of right* so as to lead him to act from it, when appeals to his honor, pride, ambition, love of praise, and the like, have been in vain, when such a boy cannot be shamed into good behaviour, and has endured all minor punishments and penalties with stolid indifference, we believe that corporal punishment, whether we consider the good of the boy or that of the school, administered in sorrow, not in anger, is both wise and necessary, and it is one of the heresies of the present day to seek to give to such a boy entire immunity from its infliction. To be still more specific. A boy has long been guilty of the most outrageous conduct, in school and out. He has made light of all the milder measures used to restrain and correct him, has publicly flaunted his defiance in the face of the teacher, and has even boasted to his mates that he is going to behave in such a manner as to get himself expelled. Now the teacher who knows just how to punish such a boy, calmly, carefully, properly, so as to reform him, is a public benefactor. We have no defence to make of the frequent or excessive use of the rod. The resentment that pervades the community in cases of real brutality on the part of teachers is perfectly natural and worthy of all respect, but not a little of the "hue and cry" made over the "sufferings of childhood," when a perverse and reckless boy is only properly punished and made to mind, is mere sentiment, and some of it of the most maudlin kind. It is near akin to the demonstrative sympathy that is so often expended on convicted felons lying in prison cells, and that transforms even murderers bound to the scaffold into demi-heroes.

If the mode of punishment which we are considering had generally proved ineffectual, it might well be abandoned, but, as a matter of fact, physical pain, if administered in a right spirit, generally accomplishes at least one of its objects, the outward reformation of a wayward pupil. But submission so gained may not be merely outward. Many teachers, and parents as well, can attest to the fact that such an experience is often the turning point in a boy's career, the period from

which dates a true and lasting reformation. Physical pain is not a pleasant medicine for a parent or teacher to give, nor for a child to take, but it is often wholesome and sometimes a perfect cure. It may not be complimentary to human nature to say it, but nevertheless we believe it to be true, that physical pain both in young and old will sometimes arouse the *moral sense* when nothing else will.

Parents sometimes say that they are not obliged to punish their children in order to govern them and they cannot understand why teachers should. Now it is possible that there are children in the world on the road to ruin, because in the matter of child training their parents are not as wise as Solomon! And it is very probable that, if such parents had the care, for six hours a day, of some of the children who are found in almost every public school, they would speedily grow wiser, and their ideas of school government undergo a sudden revolution. If teachers could wait for weeks and months for the results of purely moral training, as parents can, moral means might, perhaps, be left to do their perfect work in the school, but when, in every case of discipline, a hundred bright eyes are watching to see whether school regulations can be broken with impunity or not, and when half as many youthful hearts are ready to be more or less demoralized, if they can, a little delay is sometimes dangerous, and a long delay fatal, to the teacher's authority.

But those opposed to corporal punishment in schools have a very summary way of disposing of all difficult cases—by expulsion. And what is that? It is to deprive of school government the very children who need it most, for the children who would suffer expulsion, generally have no government, or what is worse misgovernment, at home; it is to forbid to so many children the education that would fit them to gain a livelihood; it is to turn out into the streets so many children almost inevitably to grow up in ignorance and vice and become a curse to the community in which they live; hence it is to defeat the beneficent as well as self-protecting

purpose of the State in the original institution of the public school, *to train the young to become good and useful citizens*. We believe that expulsion is justifiable only when all proper means of discipline—the lowest as well as the highest—have been exhausted, and reformation seems hopeless. It is better then that one should be sacrificed than that a whole school should be infected and injured by his pernicious example. A grave responsibility rests upon parents in regard to the attitude which they take in this matter, both towards their children and towards teachers. At the present time thoughtful parents, wise for the welfare of their children, do not demand the abolition of corporal punishment as a means of school discipline. They only demand the abolition of its abuses.

It seems almost needless for your Committee, in closing, to call your attention to the importance of the public school in the Republican system under which we live, and to remind you that intelligence and virtue on the part of the people are inseparable from the success and permanence of republican institutions. This is not the occasion to enlarge upon the dangers that menace the Republic, but that there are dangers, increasing in number and magnitude, is patent to every thoughtful observer, and that of these an illiterate suffrage stands among the foremost. The pulpit, the press, and the school have been called the conservators of American liberty. The most dangerous elements are scarcely reached by the pulpit, imperfectly by the press, but the young, into whose hands the destinies of the Republic will, in due time, be committed, can be reached in the public school. Let the standard of education among us never be lowered. Let it rather be elevated and strengthened by every means within our power.

EDWARD M. LANCASTER, *Chairman*.

W. H. H. ANDREWS, *Secretary*.

H. M. CABLE,

R. W. HUSTED,

H. C. CHAMBERLAIN,

FRANCIS C. WILLIAMS.

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE AT THE HIGH SCHOOL.

	Jan. 2 to June 29.	Whole Number.	Av. Whole Number.	Av. Atten- dance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Per Cent. of Punctuality.	Not Absent.	Not Tardy.	Not Absent nor Tardy.
I	5	5	4.9	99	99	3	2	2	
II	23	21	20	95	99	3	10	1	
III	24	21	19	91	99	3	10	3	
IV	35	31	29	94	99	1	19	1	
Sep. 3 to Dec. 22.									
I	17	17	16	97	99	3	13	3	
II	15	15	14	97	99	5	13	5	
III	22	21	20	93	99	7	18	6	
IV	46	44	42	96	99	14	23	10	

NOT ABSENT NOR TARDY FROM JAN. 2, '77 TO JAN. 2, '78.

Second Class—Abbie L. Sanger; Third Class—Willie H. Sanger, Nellie F. Rogers.

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE AT DAMON SCHOOL.

From Jan. 1, to July 1, 1877.	TEACHERS.	Whole Number.	Av. Whole Number.	Av. Atten- dance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Per Cent. of Punctuality.	Not Absent.	No. not late.
V	E. W. Cross.....	8	79	77	96	100	3	8
VI	E. W. Cross.....	15	12	12	88	99	0	13
VII	L. D. Bunker.....	12	10	9	94	98	0	0
VIII	L. D. Bunker.....	21	20	16	95	99	0	0
IX	J. E. Donovan.....	47	42	41	87	99	2	23
X	S. A. Crosby.....	33	30	24	71	99	2	21
XI	S. A. Crosby.....	30	27	25	92	99	1	25
XII	C. E. Walker.....	62	48	38	85	99	1	29
	From Sept. 1 to Dec. 31, 1877.							
V	E. W. Cross.....	7	6	5	75	100	0	7
VI	E. W. Cross.....	17	14	13	96	100	3	17
VII	L. D. Bunker.....	17	14	13	96	99	0	0
VIII	L. D. Bunker.....	40	31	31	91	98	0	10
IX	J. E. Donovan.....	40	34	32	80	98	2	24
X	J. E. Donovan.....	18	17	16	88	90	2	11
X	S. A. Crosby.....	25	24	22	93	99	3	26
XI	S. A. Crosby.....	33	30	29	97	99	4	23
XII	C. E. Walker.....	86	42	37	87	99	0	23

NAMES OF PUPILS NOT ABSENT OR LATE.

Josie Conlon,
Daniel Twomey,Nicholas Kappler,
Archie Stevens,John Thompson,
George Morgan.

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE AT BLAKE SCHOOL.

From Jan. 1, to July 1, 1877.	TEACHER.	Whole Number.	Av. Whole Number.	Av. Atten- dance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Per Cent. of Punctuality.	Not Absent.	No. Not Late.
V	Henry F. Howard.....	17	16.8	16.3	97	90.2	0	1
VI	Henry F. Howard.....	21	20.3	18.5	91.1	93.6	1	2
VII	Belle M. Roper.....	18	17.1	16.7	97.6	97.5	1	7
VIII	Belle M. Roper..... 1X	35	33.6	30.6	91.3	90.5	4	3
IX	Emma A. George } Helen Perry	34	26	24.6	94.6	96.8	0	7
X	Elmina L. Oliver.....	40	34	29	85	98	0	7
XI	Jennie S. Hammond.....	33	27	26	96	99	0	12
XII	Mrs. M. S. Lake.....	65	44	39	89	98	0	32
From Sept 1, to Dec. 31, 1877.								
V	Henry F. Howard.....	14	13.1	12.5	95.4	98	1	5
VI	Henry F. Howard.....	26	22.2	21	95.5	99	3	19
VII	Belle M. Roper.....	33	31.3	30.9	98.7	95.7	5	13
VIII	One division with VII } One division with IX }	38	33.5	30.2	90.1	96.5	3	15
IX	Ida Pratt Almira Cross }	38	36.4	31	85.1	93.8	2	6
X	Elmina L. Oliver.....	39	37	31	84	98	3	4
XI	Jennie S. Hammond.....	37	36	34	94	99	3	16
XII	Mrs. M. S. Lake.....	61	56	48.5	86.7	98	0	31

PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR ONE YEAR.

Eric Rosling,

Lorena Drake,

Loretta Drake.

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE AT GREENWOOD SCHOOL.

Jan. 2 to June 29.	NAME OF TEACHER.	Whole number.	Average whole number.	Average at- tendance.	Per cent of at- tendance.	Per cent of punctuality.	Not absent.	Not tardy.	Not absent or tardy.
V	J. L. Curtis.....	20	20	19	.95	.99	2	6	1
VI	J. L. Curtis.....	16	16	15	.94	.99	4	6	3
VII	L. S. Carrier.....	14	12	11	.91	.99	2	8	2
VIII	L. S. Carrier.....	22	19	17	.90	.99	0	4	0
IX	H. J. Folsom.....	21	17	15	.91	.99	1	6	0
X	H. J. Folsom.....	42	35	31	.89	.99	0	13	0
XI	M. E. Libby.....	26	20	18	.90	.99	0	10	0
XII	M. E. Libby.....	49	36	31	.89	.98	0	12	0
Sept 3 to Dec. 22.									
V	J. L. Curtis.....	14	14	13	.94	.99	4	7	4
VI	J. L. Curtis.....	22	20	19	.94	.99	3	13	3
VII	L. S. Carrier.....	18	14	13	.93	.99	3	14	1
VIII	L. S. Carrier.....	26	21	19	.90	.99	0	5	0
IX	H. J. Folsom.....	32	27	25	.92	.99	2	19	1
X	H. J. Folsom.....	46	39	35	.91	.99	2	31	1
XI	M. E. Libby.....	30	24	23	.93	.99	0	12	0
XII	M. E. Libby.....	45	38	33	.88	.98	0	19	0

NOT ABSENT OR TARDY FROM JAN 2, 1877, TO JAN. 2, 1878.

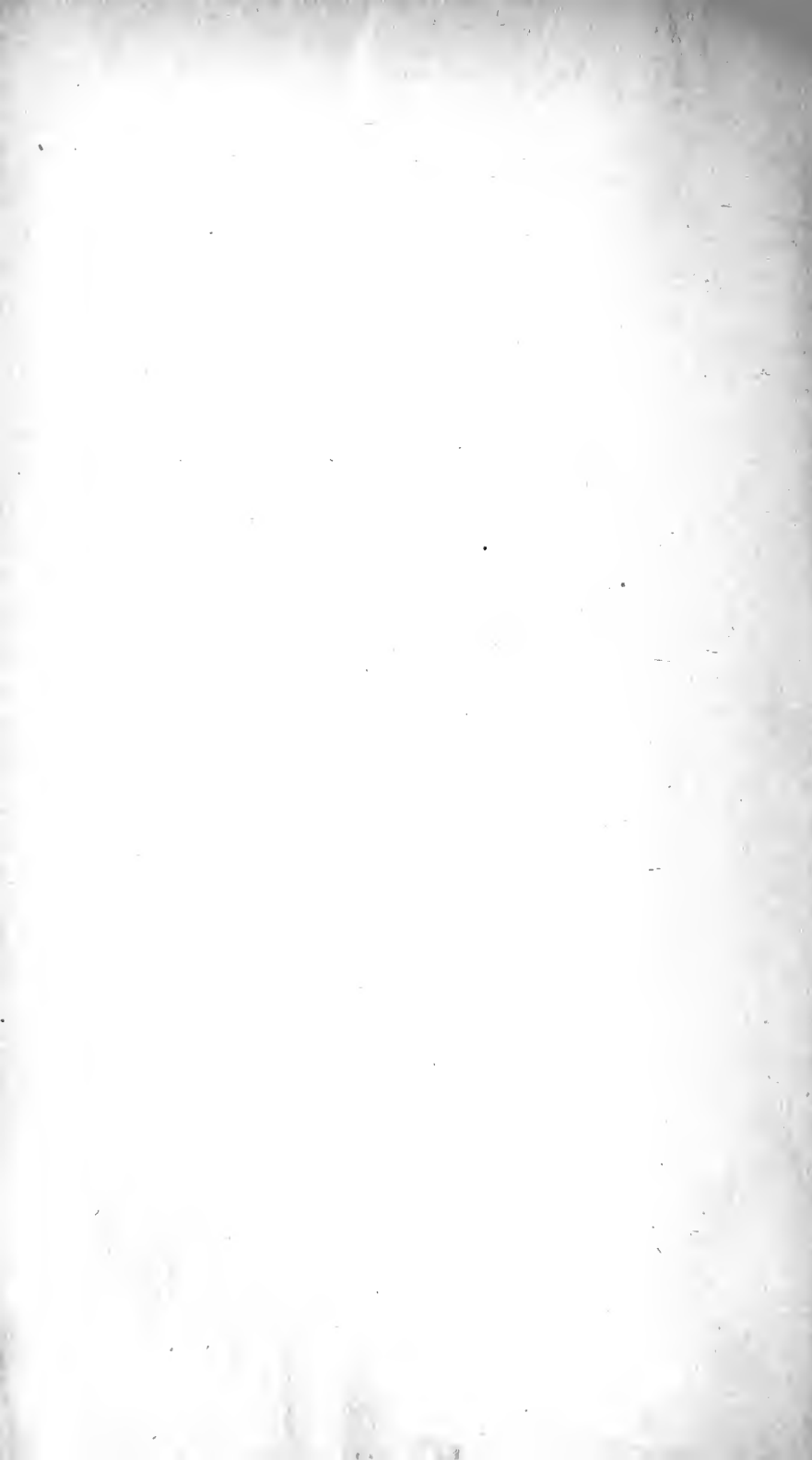
Fifth Class—Francis Williams, Edward Gage, Isabel Gregg. Sixth Class—Maud Laurison.

REPORT OF GREW SCHOOL.

Jan. 1 to July 1, 1877.	NAMES OF TEACHERS.	Whole number.	Average whole number.	Average at- tendance.	Per cent of at- tendance.	Per cent of punctuality.	Not absent.	Not tardy.
V	G. M. Fellows.....	14	13	11	86	99	2	12
VI	G. M. Fellows.....	25	24	22	87	99	5	16
VII	F. J. Emerson.....	43	36	35	83	99	6	36
VIII	Lucina Dunbar.....	39	36	31	88	94	4	28
IX	M. A. Alexander.....	56	48	46	81	98	2	31
X	M. F. Smith.....	52	42	37	85	97	1	18
XI	Genevieve Brainard.....	47	22	32	92	98	3	14
XII	S. S. Lancaster.....	56	42	39	86	96	0	12
Sept. 1 to Dec. 31.								
V	F. H. Dean.....	20	18	16	80	99	2	14
VI	F. H. Dean.....	30	26	24	79	99	3	24
VII	F. J. Emerson.....	40	34	38	85	99	5	29
VIII	Lucina Dunbar ..	49	39	33	82	86	6	20
IX	M. A. Alexander.....	49	46	33	78	99	1	22
X	M. F. Smith.....	55	39	34	87	99	2	37
XI	Genevieve Brainard.....	47	22	32	92	98	3	14
XII	S. S. Lancaster.....	53	40	32	85	96	0	11

NAMES OF PUPILS NOT ABSENT OR TARDY.

Eddie Newcombe,	Fred. Rich,	Ralph Vose,
Fred Waldron,	Florence Lane,	Clement Sticknev,
Maud Fairbairn,	Lizzie Neal,	Addie Chesley,
Ellie Gray,	Horace Fellows,	Sadie Stackpole,
Thaddy Fairbairn,	Henry Humphrey,	Frank Upham,
Edna Pierce,	Alice Scrivens,	Olive Humphrey.







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